

**WRITTEN STATEMENT OF A NON-KEY DECISION
CABINET**

ITEM:	ROTHERWAS FUTURES
Members Present:	Councillors: RJ Phillips (Leader), Mrs LO Barnett, PJ Edwards, Mrs JP French, JC Mayson, DW Rule MBE (Deputy Leader), RV Stockton, DB Wilcox, RM Wilson.
Date of Decision:	7th Sep 2006
Exempt:	No -
Confidential	No
Urgent Decision:	No
Purpose:	To receive a report on the content of the Rotherwas Futures study and to approve the recommendations arising from it.
Decision:	<p>THAT</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(a) negotiations on a joint venture agreement with Advantage West Midlands in order to deliver the Rotherwas Futures Project be commenced; and</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(b) a further report be made to Cabinet setting out the details of the final agreement for approval.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">.</p>
Reasons for the Decision:	<p>Rotherwas Industrial Estate is the principal industrial area of Hereford. Formerly a wartime munitions depot the Estate comprises approximately 123 hectares which over time has been subject to piecemeal redevelopment. The majority of existing buildings were built pre-war and immediately post war, although significant development did occur during the late 70's early 80's.</p> <p>The Estate is home to over 125 companies but further development is restricted by poor access, flooding, contamination and some parts are in a poor environmental state.</p>
Options Considered:	<p><u>Do Nothing</u></p> <p>Under this Option, the current access arrangements and Estate constraints remain unchanged with the resultant underdevelopment of this key industrial site.</p>
Declaration of Interest:	

COUNCILLOR RJ PHILLIPS:..... Date:.... 7th Sep 2006....
LEADER OF THE COUNCIL