

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

<b>ITEM:</b>	<b>LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME - REPOSE TO STATUTORY CONSULTATION</b>
Members Present:	Councillors: RJ Phillips (Leader), PJ Edwards, Mrs JP French, JC Mayson, DW Rule MBE (Deputy Leader), RV Stockton, DB Wilcox, RM Wilson.
Date of Decision:	22nd February 2007
Exempt:	No
Confidential	No
Urgent Decision:	No
Purpose:	To endorse the proposed response to the statutory consultation being undertaken by the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG) in respect of the proposed changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS).
<b>Decision:</b>	<b>THAT the response to the statutory consultation be endorsed.</b>
Reasons for the Decision:	To provide a prompt and comprehensive response to the statutory consultation exercise in order to influence the proposals and ensure that Herefordshire Council retains a LGPS that is affordable to Herefordshire, as well as remaining valued by current and prospective employees.
Options Considered:	An alternative option is not to respond. This is not a recommended action as it is important that the views of all employers are made known to the DCLG and inform the content of the new-look scheme.
Declaration of Interest:	Councillor Mrs JP French declared a personal interest.

<b>COUNCILLOR RJ PHILLIPS:</b> .....	Date: 22nd February 2007
<b>LEADER OF THE COUNCIL</b>	