

**WRITTEN STATEMENT OF A KEY DECISION
CABINET**

ITEM:	VIRTUAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT
Members Present:	Councillors: RJ Phillips (Leader), LO Barnett, AJM Blackshaw, H Bramer, JP French (Deputy Leader), JA Hyde, JG Jarvis, PD Price, DB Wilcox.
Date of Decision:	31 July 2008
Exempt:	No
Confidential	No
<p>This is a key decision because</p> <p>It is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure above agreed budgets for the service or function (shown as a line in the budget book) to which the decision relates but allowing for virements between budget heads and savings within budget heads of up to £500,000. It is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in Herefordshire in an area comprising one or more wards</p>	
<p>A notice was served in accordance with section 15 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) Regulation 2000</p>	
Urgency/Special Urgency: (As defined in Constitution)	No
Purpose:	Following consultation with schools, the report seeks formal approval of the virtual learning environment (VLE) platform arrangements and signing of the contract with the preferred supplier of the VLE service.
Decision:	THAT the strategy for providing a virtual learning environment for schools be agreed and that the contract with the preferred supplier be approved for signature.
Reasons for the Decision:	The reasons for the recommendation are that following a procurement process a preferred supplier has been selected to provide a virtual learning environment for schools in the county. This will enable them to meet requirements for an online learning platform.
Options Considered:	There are no Alternative Options.
Declaration of Interest:	
Date the key decision is due to take effect:	7 August 2008

<p>COUNCILLOR RJ PHILLIPSDate: 31 July 2008 LEADER OF THE COUNCIL</p>
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<p>To be completed by officer:</p>	
<p>Date consent received from Chairman of Children’s Services Scrutiny Committee:</p>	
<p>Subject to Call-in:</p>	<p>This Decision was not called in OR This Decision was called in on DATE by Councillors NAME, NAME and NAME The call in meeting of theScrutiny Committee was held on DATE</p>
<p>Was the decision modified?</p>	<p>Yes/No</p>
<p>If yes Cabinet Member (.....) decision reference:</p>	
<p>If no any comment(s) to be noted</p>	
<p>Date original decision took effect:</p>	<p>DAY AFTER SCRUTINY MEETING</p>