

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

<b>ITEM:</b>	<b>NEW CHARTER 2011</b>
Members Present	Councillors: JG Jarvis (Leader), AJM Blackshaw, PD Price (Deputy Leader), DB Wilcox
Date of Decision:	20 October 2011
Exempt:	No
Confidential	No
Urgency/Special Urgency: (As defined in Constitution)	No
Purpose:	To approve the New Charter 2011 between Herefordshire Council and Local Councils in the County.
<b>Decision:</b>	<b>THAT: the New Charter 2011 be approved.</b>
Reasons for the Decision:	The New Charter 2011 has been drawn up following discussions between the Herefordshire Association of Local Councils (including the Market Towns Forum) and Herefordshire Council. All parish, town and city councils have been consulted on the proposals.
Options Considered:	The alternative option is to do nothing. However the existing Charter is over eight years old and contains a commitment to review on a regular basis. In addition with the launch of the Big Society and the whole localism agenda, it is timely to review and update the Charter.
Declaration of Interest:	Councillor DB Wilcox declared a personal interest as his wife is Chief Executive of Herefordshire Association of Local Councils (HALC) and Councillor RB Hamilton declared a personal interest as Parish Councillor for Bridstow.
Date the decision is due to take effect:	27 October 2011

**COUNCILLOR JG JARVIS:**..... Date: 20 October 2011  
**LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**



<b>To be completed by officer:</b>	
Date consent received from Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny Committee:	
Subject to Call-in:	This Decision was not called in
Was the decision modified?	No
If yes Cabinet Member (.....) decision reference:	
If no any comment(s) to be noted	
Date original decision took effect:	27 October 2011