WRITTEN STATEMENT OF A NON-KEY DECISION CABINET

ITEM:	CHILDREN'S SAFEGUARDING - IMPROVEMENT NOTICE AND PROGRESS ON THE OFSTED RECOMMENDATIONS
Members Present	Councillors: JG Jarvis (Leader), H Bramer, RB Hamilton, AW Johnson, PM Morgan, RJ Phillips, GJ Powell, PD Price (Deputy Leader).
Date of Decision:	14 March 2013
Exempt:	No
Confidential	No
Urgency/Special Urgency:	No
(As defined in Constitution)	
Purpose:	To report on the receipt of the Improvement Notice from the Department for Education (DfE) and progress to date on the Ofsted recommendations and next steps.
Decision:	THAT:
	a) the Improvement Notice from the Department for Education, be received.
	b) the statement of expectation for children's safeguarding in Herefordshire and for further discussion and potential endorsement by partners, be confirmed.
	 c) the finalisation of the statement as set out in the report, be delegated to the Director for People's Services.
	d) the progress to date in addressing the recommendations from Ofsted, be noted.
Reasons for the Decision:	The Council is under a duty to accept the Improvement Notice from the DfE and address the requirement to improve the quality of services and impact on children's outcomes.
Options Considered:	There are no viable alternative options.
Conflict of Interest (See below)	
Date the decision is due to take effect:	21 March 2013

COUNCILLOR JG JARVIS: Date: 14 March 2013 LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

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• a record of any conflict of interest declared by any executive member who is consulted by the member which relates to the decision;

And

• in respect of any declared conflict of interest, a note of dispensation granted by the relevant local authority's head of paid service.

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To be completed by officer:	
Date consent received from Chairman of the General 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:	21 March 2013