

WRITTEN STATEMENT OF A KEY DECISION CABINET

ITEM:	MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AND INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT
Members Present:	Councillors RJ Phillips (Chairman), Mrs O Barnett, P Edwards, Mrs J French, GV Hyde, C Mayson, DW Rule, B Wilcox, M Wilson
Date of Decision:	15th July, 2004
This is a key decision because It is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in Herefordshire in an area comprising one or more wards	
The item was included in the Forward Plan	
Purpose:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To approve a Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Herefordshire and Worcestershire. • To note progress with negotiations on the Integrated Waste Management Contract and to consider a continued way forward in the negotiations.
Decision:	<p>THAT (a) The Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy be approved; and</p> <p>(b) Cabinet authorises the Director of Environment subject to a satisfactory outcome of negotiations in consultation with the County Secretary and Solicitor and County Treasurer and in conjunction with Worcestershire County Council, to:</p> <p>(i) enter into a Variation to the Contract with Mercia Waste Management Ltd, to provide waste processing and recycling plants in order to meet the Councils' Statutory and Voluntary targets as set out in the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy;</p> <p>(ii) enter into an associated Agreement with the Contractor's nominated sub contractor), and/or their funding banks as necessary in order to protect the Councils' interests, for the provision of waste processing and recycling plants..</p>
Reasons for the Decision:	In May 2000 the Government published "Waste Strategy 2000" which set out a vision for sustainable waste management and the steps by which it can be achieved. Waste Strategy 2000 underlines the importance of having a fully integrated waste management system based on active partnerships between

	<p>local authorities. The framework for these partnerships is the development of a Municipal Waste Management Strategy.</p> <p>To meet the Council's legal responsibilities under the Waste and Emissions Trading Act 2003 and related legislation and secure the continuation of the existing contract.</p>
Options Considered:	Not applicable
Declaration of Interest:	None.
Date the key decision is due to take effect:	22nd July, 2004

<p>RJ PHILLIPS..... Date:..... LEADER OF THE COUNCIL</p>
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<p>To be completed by officer:</p>	
<p>Date consent received from Chairman of Scrutiny Committee:</p>	
<p>Subject to Call-in:</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>If yes was the decision modified?</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>If yes Cabinet Member (.....) decision reference:</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Date original decision took effect:</p>	<p>22 July 2004</p>