

Written statement of a key decision
Cabinet

Title	To approve the mobilisation of the development and regeneration programme
Decision maker	Cabinet Information about cabinet, including the names and contact details of the cabinet members, can be found here: http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=251
Date of decision	14 December 2017
Report exemption class	Open
Reason for being a key decision	This is a key decision because it is likely to be significant having regard to: the strategic nature of the decision; and / or whether the outcome will have an impact, for better or worse, on the amenity of the community or quality of service provided by the authority to a significant number of people living or working in the locality (two or more wards) affected.
A notice was served in accordance with Part 3 (Key decisions) of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.	
General exception or special urgency (as defined in the constitution)	No
Purpose	To approve the allocation of budget to deliver the mobilisation phase of the procurement programme following the appointment of a developer to work in partnership with the council in delivering the development and regeneration programme.
Decision	That: (a) legal and commercial support to finalise the contract (development and regeneration programme overarching agreement) with the development partner be procured at a cost of not more than £90k; (b) subject to satisfactory completion of contractual arrangements the appointed development partner be requested to develop within 3 months of the formal request being made, a stage 1 submission, including a business case and estimated timescales for housing on the Bromyard depot land and paddock site;

	<p>(c) subject to satisfactory completion of contractual arrangements, to include the tranche 1 projects – county bus station and car park; Model Farm, Ross-on-Wye; Hildersley SUE, Ross-on-Wye – onto the programme subject to the council completing its internal (stage 0) approval, including options appraisal, for each site;</p> <p>(d) the council’s client side revenue costs, estimated at £155k annually, be funded from within existing operational budgets; the client side capital costs, including externally commissioned professional services, are estimated at £503k annually and are included in the council’s capital programme; and</p> <p>(e) the programme director growth be authorised, following consultation with the chief finance officer, to take all operational decisions necessary to allocate the above client side resources in accordance with contractual and client side requirements.</p>
Reason for the decision	<p>As set out in the report. Documents relating to this decision are available at</p> <p>http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50024237</p>
Options considered	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The council could determine not to proceed to the mobilisation phase. This is not recommended as Cabinet has agreed to award the contract to the preferred or the reserve bidder and has confirmed the first batch projects – Bromyard depot and Station Approach – onto the programme. 2. The council could determine not to approve the allocation of funding to enable the delivery of the mobilisation phases of the programme. This is not recommended as failure to secure expert legal and contract mobilisation support would significantly increase the timescales of mobilisation of the development partnership and legal support will be required to ensure we have a comprehensive contract which adequately reflects the council’s requirements.
Declarations of interest (see below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	20 December 2017

<p>Councillor:</p> <p>Leader of the Council (Councillor AW Johnson)</p>	<p>Date 14 December 2017</p>
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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.