

Issue reference: I50024648

Written statement of a key decision Cabinet member health and wellbeing

Title	To review, redesign and remodel provision to realign services relating to nursing care, provided through the Shaw Contract, with commissioning requirements.			
Decision maker	Cabinet member health and wellbeing 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	23 April 2018			
Report exemption class	Open			
Reason for being a key decision	This is a key decision because it is likely to result in the council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the council's budget for the service or function concerned. A threshold of £500,000 is regarded as significant.			
	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	The purpose of this report is to seek approval of the internal remodelling of Waverley House, Leominster and to approve the capital budget of up to £400,000 to fund the redesign. The building is currently leased by the council to Shaw Healthcare for a 30 year period from 2004, with Shaw Healthcare also providing the nursing, care and support to the residents. The intention is to remodel the building to allow for an 11 additional nursing beds to expand capacity to support vulnerable adults in Herefordshire.			
Decision	That: (a) To authorise capital expenditure of up to £400,000 for			

	building remodelling works to the council's freehold interest in Waverley House, Etnam Street, Leominster; (b) To authorise Shaw Healthcare, the current lessee of Waverly House, to procure and manage those works under the supervision of the council; and (c) To increase the council's existing block contract with Shaw Healthcare by an additional 11 nursing bed capacity on practical completion of the works.
Reason for the decision	As set out in the report. Documents relating to this decision are available at http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50024648
Options considered	1. The alternative option would be to continue with the current model and number of beds at Waverley House. This is not recommended as the council is experiencing difficulties in sourcing nursing bedded provision in Herefordshire to meet the eligible needs of vulnerable adults and spot purchasing additional nursing beds at Waverley House over the council's usual rate. The additional capacity will provide further block purchased beds that can be easily accessed at a substantially lower rate than current placements.
	2. The other alternative option would be to utilise the space and provision within the contract for residential or short term services. This is not recommended as the pressure for capacity in the market is for nursing beds. Using the space for these other purposes would therefore represent poorer value for money than if it was used for nursing beds.
Declarations of interest (see • below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	27 April 2018

Councillor:		Date	23 April 2018
	Cabinet member health and wellbeing (Councillor P Rone)		

 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.