

Written statement of a key decision
Cabinet

Title	Homelessness Prevention and Rough Sleeping Strategy
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	19 December 2019
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 council's strategy to prevent homelessness and rough sleeping. The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) Strategy, published August 2018, requires all local authorities to update their homelessness and rough sleeping strategies. By 31 st December 2019, all local authorities are required to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ make available their strategies online and submit them to MHCLG ▪ publish annual action plans. The MHCLG Rough Sleeping Strategy 2018, requires local authorities to develop an annual improvement plan for the strategy.
Decision	That: (a) the Strategy for the Prevention of Homelessness and Rough Sleeping at appendix 1 be approved, with the additional inclusion of reference to migrants and pets.

Reason for the decision	As set out in the report. Documents relating to this decision are available at http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50029766
Options considered	Not to adopt a Homelessness Prevention and Rough Sleeping Strategy for Herefordshire. This is not recommended as the strategy is a statutory document, which requires updating in accordance with the Homelessness Act 2002 and the MHCLG Rough Sleeping Strategy 2018.
Declarations of interest (see below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	30 December 2019

Councillor:	Date 19 December 2019
Leader of the Council (Councillor David Hitchiner)	

- 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.