

Written statement of a key decision
Cabinet member Infrastructure and transport

Title	Capital Investment in Infrastructure 2020/21 Public Realm Annual Plan
Decision maker	Cabinet member Infrastructure and transport 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	6 August 2020
Report exemption class	Open
Reason for being a key decision	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
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	<p>To authorise spend / investment in the highway asset and infrastructure following resolution at council meeting 14 February 2020 to allocate £2m from Hereford Transport Package to repair and maintain C and U roads in 2020/21.</p> <p>To authorise spend of Investment in Infrastructure budget £2m in 2020/21 from capital programme to deliver improvements to the infrastructure assets set out within this report to improve resilience and safety of the highway network.</p>

Decision	<p>That:</p> <p>(a) £2m to be spent in 2020/21 on the U and C road network following resolution at meeting of the Council held on 14 February, 2020. The proposed delivery programme, following assessment/survey of the whole network, will be confirmed in a further cabinet member report: and</p> <p>(b) £2m investment in infrastructure capital programme budget is invested and spent as set out below:</p> <p>a. £380k Drainage works in Lea Flood Alleviation Scheme</p> <p>b. £300k Drainage investment in capital schemes to alleviate public realm flood sites and damaged / broken assets.</p> <p>c. £20k Improve signage at gauge boards at known flooding areas and diversion routes such as A438 Letton.</p> <p>d. £300k Investment in structures.</p> <p>e. £500k Highway safety scheme.</p> <p>f. £100k Invest in the Public Rights of Way damaged infrastructure resulting in closed networks.</p> <p>g. £100k Playground investments.</p> <p>h. £100k Footpath Improvements.</p> <p>i. £200k Winter Fleet investment.</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=50033621</p>
Options considered	<p>1. Not to invest £2m in Infrastructure assets and/or not to invest £2m in repairing C and U roads. This option is not recommended as be contrary to the council resolutions on 14 February 2020.</p>
Declarations of interest (see below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	13 August 2020

Councillor:	Date 6 August 2020
Cabinet member Infrastructure and transport (Councillor John Harrington)	

- 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.