

Issue reference: I50035881

## Written statement of a non-key decision Cabinet

Title	Recommendation for the first proceedable affordable housing scheme
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?l D=251
Date of decision	17 December 2020
Report exemption class	Open
Purpose	At Cabinet on 26 November 2020 the decision was taken on how the council will progress the delivery of affordable housing across the county over the coming years. In the past few months Engie Regeneration Limited (Engie) have concluded a review of the Station Approach area to consider how development in this part of the city centre should be brought forward. The final report. The Station Approach Site Study - has been presented to Cabinet for consideration.  This paper seeks approval for the first council owned sites in the
	Station Approach area to be brought forward as the first scheme of wider affordable housing programme.
Decision	That: Cabinet approve to spend up to £68k to work up outline proposals for a net zero carbon affordable housing scheme on Sites 1b, 1c, 2a and 2b Station Approach for further review and approval by Cabinet.
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=50035881
Options considered	1. The council could simply place the sites at Station Approach on the open market and encourage existing house builders or housing providers to bring forward a residential scheme. However, the council would lose control over the scale, type and timing of such a development and it would not contribute to the wider council objective for the delivery of affordable housing or contribute towards the climate change agenda.

Declarations of interest (see • below)	None
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	23 December 2020

Councillor:	Leader of the Council (Councillor David Hitchiner)	Date	17 December 2020	

 a record of any conflict of interest declared by any executive member who is consulted by the member which relates to the decision;

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• in respect of any declared conflict of interest, a note of dispensation granted.