

Agenda

Cabinet

Date: Thursday 17 July 2025

Time: **2.30 pm**

Place: Conference Room 1 - Herefordshire Council, Plough

Lane Offices, Hereford, HR4 0LE

Notes: Please note the time, date and venue of the meeting.

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Agenda for the meeting of Cabinet

Membership

Chairperson Councillor Jonathan Lester, Leader of the Council

Vice-Chairperson Councillor Elissa Swinglehurst, Deputy Leader of the Council

Councillor Graham Biggs Councillor Harry Bramer Councillor Barry Durkin Councillor Carole Gandy Councillor Dan Hurcomb Councillor Ivan Powell Councillor Philip Price Councillor Pete Stoddart Herefordshire Council 17 JULY 2025

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interests in respect of Table A, Table B or Other Interests from members of the committee in respect of items on the agenda.

3. MINUTES

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 5 June 2025.

Minutes are to follow.

HOW TO SUBMIT QUESTIONS

The deadline for submission of questions for this meeting is:

5pm on Friday 11th July 2025.

Questions must be submitted to <u>councillorservices@herefordshire.gov.uk</u> Questions sent to any other address may not be accepted.

Accepted questions and the response to them will be published as a supplement to the agenda papers prior to the meeting. Further information and guidance is available at https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/getinvolved

4. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

To receive questions from members of the public.

5. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

To receive questions from councillors.

6. REPORTS FROM SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

To receive reports from the Council's scrutiny committees on any recommendations to the Cabinet arising from recent scrutiny committee meetings.

There are no scrutiny reports.

7. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS' IMPROVEMENT PLAN - PHASE 3

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The purpose of this report is to present cabinet with the Phase 3 Children's Services Improvement Plan for endorsement.

8. DOMESTIC ABUSE STRATEGY FOR HEREFORDSHIRE 2025 TO 2028

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To approve the Domestic Abuse Strategy for Herefordshire 2025 to 2028, in accordance with the requirements of the Domestic Abuse Act 2021.

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In the opinion of the Proper Officer, parts of the following item will not be, or is likely not to be, open to the public and press at the time it is considered given the exempt information contained in the appendices.

RECOMMENDATION:

that under section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, in respect of the appendices, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12(A) of the Act, as indicated below and it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person

9. PROCUREMENT STRATEGY FOR THE HEREFORD WESTERN BYPASS -PHASE 1

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Seeking approval of the procurement strategy and authority to procure and award a contract, to a contractor through a two-stage procurement process. The report also seeks to inform members of the land acquisition strategy for the land required to construct Hereford Western Bypass Phase 1.