

Record of officer decision

Decision title:	Provision of Fully Equipped Accessible Toilet at Hereford Sixth Form College
Date of decision:	5 November 2019
Decision maker:	Director for Children and Families
Authority for delegated decision:	The authority for the specified officer to take this decision is set out in the cabinet member report approved 17 December 2018 (http://hc-modgov:9070/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=5545)
Ward:	Aylestone Hill
Consultation:	The principal and governors of the college have all been involved in, and consulted upon, the plans.
Decision made:	<p>To fund £12,668, including contingency and professional fees, for a fully equipped accessible toilet at the Sixth Form College.</p> <p>Funding to be provided from post 16 Section 106 receipts from various developments: White House Drive Kingstone; England's Gate Inn Bodenham; Gadbridge Road Weobley; Quarry Field Lugwardine; and Land South A438 Bartestree.</p>
Reasons for decision:	<p>The sixth form college requires some adaptations to enable it to accommodate students with special educational needs.</p> <p>Although the college has an accessible toilet for use by students with special needs, the layout of the space does not conform to the requirements for assisted use. The space will therefore be adapted to include a peninsular toilet layout and hoists.</p> <p>The project was subject to a competitive tendering exercise with the contractor providing the most cost effective tender being recommended for appointment.</p>
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	<p>S106 contributions have been secured towards post 16 provision. These contributions will be made available to deliver the necessary works required for the college.</p> <p>Costs for the works have been calculated as £11,623 plus contingency and professional fees, a total of up to £12,668.</p> <p>There is a risk that once on site, further work is identified if the condition of the existing area is found to be poor. A contingency has been allowed to cover unforeseen elements once work on site has commenced. Should this contingency be insufficient then a further officer decision will be required.</p>
Details of any alternative options considered and	Do nothing. This is not recommended as the local authority has a duty of care to children with special educational needs in colleges. The provision of the fully-equipped accessible toilet will ensure that

rejected:	<p>the school can take in other students in the future who are in need of similar facilities.</p> <p>Provide an extension to the school to include the facilities required. This is not recommended as there is an appropriate space within the school that can be converted into the space required at a lower cost than an extension without compromising the spaces required by the school for everyday use.</p>
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Details of any declarations of interest made:	None
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Signed

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