

Record of officer decision

Decision title:	Decision to spend on the Shirehall Courtroom Ceiling Remedial Works
Date of decision:	04/09/2020
Decision maker:	Assistant Director for Technical Services
Authority for delegated decision:	<p>This decision is to apply for the spend of the budget as agreed by the key decision made on 31st January 2020 (Report Ref: Property Services Estates Capital Programme 2020/21).</p> <p>http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=6593</p>
Ward:	Central
Consultation:	Property Services: Strategic Capital Finance Manager and Strategic Property Services Manager
Decision made:	<p>That authorisation be given to implement the above recommendation in respect of the key decision dated 31st January 2020 and spend up to £120k (inclusive of professional fees, contingencies etc.) from the approved emergency capital budget of £200k to carry out clearance and remedial works to Courts 1 and 2 through BBLP.</p> <p>The scheme will be managed and savings targeted as some of the costs have had to be estimated due to the inability to safely access all required areas until the scaffolding has been erected.</p>
Reasons for decision:	<p>The need to undertake immediate structural support work and associated works and services packages, to make good where possible any failures and to maintain the structural integrity of the building due to recent ceiling failures.</p> <p>Costs have been confirmed for the debris removal for Court 1 and scaffold support within Court 2. Estimated costs are included for the structural repairs and consultancy fees.</p>
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	The costs are based upon both quotations received and estimated works that will be reviewed once closer inspection can be safely achieved.
Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:	Do nothing – not spend emergency capital approved money. The recent failures of the ceiling and subsequent structural report has highlighted the need to carry out these works to avoid further failures and therefore these works are necessary.
Details of any declarations of interest made:	None

Signed:
Chris Jenner, Assistant Director Technical Services

Date: 8 September 2020