

Executive decisions taken from 2 October 2020 to 3 December 2020.

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1.	Building maintenance, small works and cleaning services for Herefordshire Council: The council building maintenance and cleansing services were amalgamated under a single contract, which was procured through an open market tender exercise and this contract is due to terminate on the 31 March 2021. This contract now needs to be procured for a period from 1 April 2021 to 30 April 2023	Key General Exception	2 October, 2020	Cabinet member commissioning, procurement and assets
2.	Public Realm Commuted Sums - Spend Allocation: Commuted sums are collected by the council to maintain new assets when adopted within the public realm. This commuted sum is intended to ensure the costs of maintaining the new highway and public open space asset, when adopted, is funded. This report sets out the process for allocating monies collected to date, over the previous five year period, which have not yet been spent to date to be allocated towards the public realm contract for maintenance purposes for which they were required. The intention is to invest the current commuted sums into the public realm over the next 5 year period which is broadly the period over which they have been collected as set out in the recommendation and report.	Key	5 October, 2020	Cabinet member Infrastructure and transport
3.	Approval to Spend £5.432k o the Marches Local Enterprise Partnership Funding That Was Allocated To Further Develop The Hereford Enterprise Zone: The council has been successful in bidding for and securing £5,432k Growth Deal funding from The Marches Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) to undertake additional infrastructure work at Hereford Enterprise Zone (HEZ). This report seeks approval for the funds to be spent to deliver that additional infrastructure.	Key	5 October, 2020	Cabinet member environment, economy and skills
4.	Weston Under Penyard: A40 Road Improvement Scheme: S106 Works: To approve the allocation of highway contributions secured by way of S106 agreement to deliver works through the public realm contract in conjunction with the programed resurfacing scheme approved by the Cabinet Member in April, 2020, as set out in the Public Realm Service Annual Plan 2020/21 report and appendices. These works to be done using S106 monies comprise engineering features and road markings which will change the environment of the village and reduce the speed through the village.	Non-Key	6 October, 2020	Cabinet member Infrastructure and transport
5.	Hereford Transport & South Wye Packages Review: This report seeks Cabinet member approval to confirm an extension to the programme for the Hereford transport review for completion to the end of September 2020, and to increase the budget for works to cover this extended period which includes provision for technical support to the subsequent decision making process.	Non-Key	9 October, 2020	Cabinet member Infrastructure and transport
6.	Equality Policy 2020-2023: The council's previous Equality Policy expired in January 2020, and this new policy is designed to run from 2020-2023. It is a key decision because it is	Key	13 October, 2020	Cabinet member finance

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	significant in its impact on the community. The policy sets out our commitment to equality and details some of the main initiatives that we already undertake, and some actions to which we are committing. Its audience will be both internal (members of staff) and external (public). It will be published on our website and on our intranet. An internal communication will promote it to staff.			and corporate services
7.	Fostering and Adoption Service Annual Reports 2019/20: To review Adoption and Fostering Services performance and approve related documents 2019 - 2020	Non-Key	15 October, 2020	Cabinet
8.	Endorsement of the Herefordshire Cultural Strategy 2019-2029: The council has been an active member of the Herefordshire Cultural Partnership for a number of years. Through its membership of the Herefordshire Cultural Partnership and support for other projects such as Herefordshire's A Great Place, the council has had a central role in the development of the Cultural Strategy. The strategy has five priority objectives. These are Herefordshire as a Great Place providing a resilient cultural infrastructure supporting people who live work and visit the county; listening to children and young people and connecting them to creativity and culture; building and supporting vibrant and creative economies; ensuring the arts and culture are available to everyone; and raising Herefordshire's national and international profile through cultural tourism. Each of these priorities align with and support the council's wider social, economic and cultural priorities as outlined in the Herefordshire Council County Plan 2020-2024.	Non-Key	15, October, 2020	Cabinet
9.	<p>Review of Waste Management Services: To seek the views of the cabinet member in response to the councils collection and disposal contracts expiring in 2023/24 there is an opportunity to review the service and how it will operate going forward so the modelling work evaluates the current waste collection and disposable methods adopted by Herefordshire Council. This report identifies and evaluates alternative approaches, based on the recommendations put forward by the General Scrutiny Committees on the agreed recommendations made by the Waste Task and Finish Group to 'shortlist' the options to be put forward for public consultation with a view to bringing back a preferred option to cabinet in Spring 2021.</p> <p>In 2018 the Government released 'Our waste, our resources, a strategy for England' which sets out how England will minimise waste, promote resource efficiency and move towards a circular economy. The Council seeks to align its proposals with the actions that will be taken now and the longer-term policy direction set out by Government.</p>	Non-Key	26 October, 2020	Cabinet member commissioning, procurement and assets
10.	Acceptance and implementation of Local Authority Delivery (LAD) funding project: In October we took an urgent decision to accept funding from to accept the Green Homes Grant (GHG) Local Authority Delivery (LAD) funding of £1,062,500 and to act as	Key General Exception	27 October, 2020	Cabinet member environment,

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	<p>accountable body for this project. This money will help significantly the many families and residents who – through no fault of their own – live in in-efficient expensive to heat homes.</p> <p>Fuel poverty remains a significant issue in both Herefordshire and Shropshire, with an estimated 10,682 households thought to suffer from fuel poverty across Herefordshire and a further 16,826 households in Shropshire. Low incomes, above average numbers of older, 'hard to treat' properties and poor coverage of the mains gas network leave many homes with expensive heating fuel systems and poor energy efficiency ratings and high relative greenhouse gas emissions.</p>			economy and skills
11.	Herefordshire Streetworks permit scheme: The report proposed the implementation of the Hereford Permit Scheme thereby meeting the requirements of the new Street Manager regulations and enabling the better management and co-ordination of works on the highway by applying conditions. The permit scheme will be managed by Balfour Beatty Living Places (BBLP) through the public realm contract..	Non-Key	29 October, 2020	Cabinet member Infrastructure and Transport
12.	2021/22 budget setting and consultation: To recommend the approach for consultation to inform the 2021/22 budget and developing the medium term financial strategy (MTFS). Cabinet is required to publish its timetable for making proposals to Council for the adoption of the MTFS, its capital budget and setting a revenue budget, and its arrangements for consultation.	Non-Key	29 October, 2020	Cabinet
13.	Approach to the Core Strategy review and update in the light of the Planning for the Future White Paper: To agree to undertake a comprehensive update of the Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy, following a review of the adopted plan, in accordance with The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) and paragraph 33 of the National Planning Policy Frameworks and to make any consequential amendments to the Council's approved Local Development Scheme, including incorporating the preparation of a Community Infrastructure Levy.	Key	9 November, 2020	Cabinet member Infrastructure and transport
14.	Covid 19 Additional Restrictions Grant Scheme: Approval to accept and spend the Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG) funding (£3,856,020) allocation from government, to support businesses affected by the second national Covid 19 lockdown period, and any future periods of restriction up to the end of March 2022. This decision is specific to the Additional Restrictions Grant. The national guidance indicates that the council can use this funding for business support activities but it is expected to primarily take the form of discretionary grants to businesses to support them through period of trade restrictions due to Covid 19. The offer letter implies that this allocation is for the current national and any future national or local restrictions (the funding will not be refreshed) through to the end of March 2022.	Key Special Urgency	24 November 2020	Cabinet member environment, economy and skills

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15.	Homes England Investment Partner Status: Investment Partner status is awarded by Homes England following an assessment to verify the applicant's organisational status and a due diligence process which considers the applicant's financial and technical capacity to undertake an agreed programme of new housing supply and the organisations good financial standing. Homes England have a range of funding programmes that focus on the development of affordable housing and housing that addresses specific housing needs e.g. homelessness and specialist care.	Non-Key	24 November, 2020	Cabinet member environment, economy and skills
16.	Accommodation Based Support Service for Young People: Approval of a three month direct award of a contract for accommodation based support service for young people for the period to 31 st January 2021. The contract is due to end on 31 st October 2020 and an unavoidable delay has resulted a request for a direct award to extend to 31 st January 2021. Once approved a waiver will be requested. Procurement will commence for a new housing related support service for young people in June 2020, with mobilisation aligning with the completion of building works and the end of the existing supported accommodation for young people contract on 31 st October 2020, it is planned that the new service would commence on 1 November 2020.	Non-Key	26 November, 2020	Cabinet member health and adult wellbeing
17.	Review of peer on peer abuse cases: To receive the outcomes of the review; to agree the recommendations arising from the review; to approve the executive response to the scrutiny committees recommendations on the report of the review and to approve the peer on peer model guidance for use in all Herefordshire Schools.	Non-Key	26, November, 2020	Cabinet
18.	Delivery Plan: To agree proposals for the council's Delivery Plan 2020-22. Each year Cabinet is required to produce a delivery plan which sets out how the strategic ambitions within the council's County Plan will be delivered and monitored.	Key	26 November, 2020	Cabinet
19.	Quarter 2 Budget and Performance: To review the performance for quarter 2 of the 2020/21 and the budget forecast. This report provides assurances that progress is being made towards the achievement of the agreed revenue budget and service delivery targets, and that the reasons for the major variances or potential under-performance are understood and are being addressed to the cabinet's satisfaction. The 2020/21 forecast outturn is a £14, 790k overspend as at the end of September, 2020	Non-Key	26, November, 2020	Cabinet
20.	Hereford Towns Fund accelerated funding: This decision sought approval to accept this grant funding from government and approval for the funds to be spent on delivering the projects submitted to government. The council has been successful in securing £750k Towns Fund accelerated Finance from government to deliver a programme of projects across Hereford City that will provide economic and environmental benefit.	Key	26, November, 2020	Cabinet
21.	Options for the delivery of Council Owned Affordable Housing: To approve the approach to the delivery housing model options available to the council to increase the supply of affordable housing in the County. Cabinet is also requested to approve Phase 2 of	Key	26, November, 2020	Cabinet

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	this strategic work to develop a pipeline of sites suitable for development as affordable housing to support discussions with key partners including Homes England. The County Plan 2020-2024 sets out the council's ambition to provide 1,000 affordable housing units in the county. The term affordable is taken in its widest sense – to provide a range of housing that is genuinely affordable to both rent and purchase given local earnings. The council has not owned its own housing stock since 2002 and a review has therefore been undertaken as to the most appropriate role for the council in delivering its ambition. The options and delivery proposals suggested recognise the structures already in place and available to the council.			
22.	<p>Supported accommodation for care leavers – Development of a local framework: To approve the procurement and launch of a new local framework for the arranging and purchase of support and accommodation for care leavers and some looked after children who are 16+ years old. The services purchased via the framework will support young people to secure accommodation and develop their skills and resilience and provide opportunities for training and employment, engagement with relevant services and participation in their communities, to enable them to move towards independent living.</p> <p>There are currently limited options for accommodating care leavers and 16 and 17 year old looked after children in Herefordshire. There is a reliance on “out of county” specialist placements, spot purchased at significant cost, and of varying quality. There are also gaps in support for young people at risk of homelessness. Young people require safe and affordable accommodation, aligned to support towards increased independence, underpinned by realistic opportunities for learning and work.</p> <p>The new framework will complement newly commissioned accommodation and support services for care leavers and vulnerable young people and support the vision and principles of the looked after children and complex needs placement sufficiency strategy 2019-2024. The placements will be led by the needs of the young people to achieve positive outcomes. The local framework will support the strategy to address the sufficiency, quality and sustainability of appropriate placement provision as well as value for money in Herefordshire.</p>	Key	1 December, 2020	Cabinet
23.	<p>Minerals and Waste Local Plan (MWLP): To consider the Herefordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan (MWLP) development plan document for pre-submission publication, in accordance with regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 (as amended), prior to its consideration at Full Council on 11 December 2020. The report also sets out the recommendations of General Scrutiny Committee on 28 September 2020 in relation to the MWLP and to refer the MWLP</p>	Budget and Policy Framework Item	1 December, 2020	Cabinet

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	to Council, with a recommendation that, following the completion of the pre-submission publication period and consideration of duly made representations, it be submitted to the Secretary of State for independent testing, in accordance with section 20(3) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2012.			
24.	Peterchurch Primary School Rebuild - Developed Design: To approve the proceeding to the next stage of the rebuilding of Peterchurch Primary School, on the existing site, by commissioning a developed design (Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) Stage 3) for a traditional and/or modular build. The design brief will include a requirement that the building must achieve net zero carbon emissions and obtain a green building certificate. As a minimum it should receive Passivhaus certification. The developed design will include the coordinated architectural, structural and building services design and updated cost information.	Key	3 December, 2020	Cabinet
25.	Purchase of accommodation and refurbishment of 4 & 5 Blackfriars Street to meet strategic housing priorities, as a consequence of the restrictions caused by Covid-19: To approve the acquisition of eight properties and to undertake the refurbishment of numbers 4 & 5 Blackfriars Street, Hereford. This will enable the council as part of the Covid-19 emergency response to accommodate those who have a long and/or repeated history of rough sleeping. The eight properties would be self-contained accommodation suitable for homeless clients with disabilities and /or accessibility issues. 4 & 5 Blackfriars Street would be used as accommodation for homeless applicants prior to resettlement into sustainable accommodation.	Key Special Urgency	3 December, 2020	Cabinet
26.	Hereford Transport Strategy Review: To consider the findings of the Hereford Transport Strategy Review and the Peer Review of the South Wye Transport Package and Hereford Transport Package, recommendations made by the general scrutiny committee and determine any strategy proposals to be taken forward.	Key	3 December, 2020	Cabinet