

Written statement of a key decision
Cabinet member finance and corporate services

Title	ICT systems upgrades & server replacements
Decision maker	Cabinet member finance and corporate services Information about cabinet, including the names and contact details of the cabinet members, can be found here: http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=251
Date of decision	27 March 2025
Report exemption class	Open
Reason for being a key decision	This is a key decision because it is likely to result in the council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the council's budget for the service or function concerned. A threshold of £500,000 is regarded as significant.
A notice was served in accordance with Part 3 (Key decisions) of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.	
General exception or special urgency (as defined in the constitution)	No
Purpose	Draw down of funds to perform ICT Systems upgrades and replace servers.
Decision	That: a) the funds identified in the 2025/26 capital budget (£500,000) be drawn down for ICT systems upgrades and server replacements; b) Authority be delegated to the Director of Strategy and Performance to take all operational decisions to implement the above recommendation.
Reason for the decision	As set out in the report. Documents relating to this decision are available at http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgIssueHistoryHome.aspx?Id=50051238
Options considered	1. The council could decide not to replace our servers or upgrade our ICT systems. This option is not recommended

	as the risk of security compromise will increase over time as cyber security threats and vulnerabilities for the ageing technologies emerge.
Declarations of interest (see ▪ below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	2 April 2025

<p>Councillor:</p> <p>Cabinet member finance and corporate services (Councillor Pete Stoddart)</p>	<p>Date 27 March 2025</p>
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- 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.