

Written statement of a non-key decision
Cabinet

Title	Quarter 1 Budget and Performance Report
Decision maker	Cabinet 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	24 September 2020
Report exemption class	Open
Purpose	<p>To review performance for Quarter 1 2020/21 and the budget forecast.</p> <p>To provide assurance that progress has being made towards achievement of the agreed revenue budget and service delivery targets, and that the reasons for major variances or potential under-performance are understood and are being addressed to the cabinet's satisfaction.</p> <p>The 2020/21 forecast outturn is a £15,919k overspend as at the end of June 2020, however the council has been allocated COVID-19 grants of £11,878k from Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government. Leading to a forecast net overspend of £4,041k. It is important to note that this forecast is predicated on no further significant expenditure on COVID-19 matters.</p> <p>The proportion of performance measures showing an improvement, or remaining the same compared to the same period last year is 74%; this is an improvement on the same period last year. At the end of the quarter, 49% of actions from the delivery plan are identified as complete or had progressed within planned timescales.</p>
Decision	<p>That</p> <p>(a) Cabinet reviewed performance and financial outturn for quarter 1 2020/21, as set out in appendices 1 - 9, and did not identify any additional actions to be considered to achieve future improvement.</p>
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=50034516

Options considered	1. Cabinet may choose to review financial and operational performance more or less frequently; or request alternative actions to address any identified areas of under-performance, including referral to the relevant scrutiny committee.
Declarations of interest (see ▪ below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	1 October 2020

Councillor:	Date 24 September 2020
Leader of the Council (Councillor David Hitchiner)	

- a record of any conflict of interest declared by any executive member who is consulted by the member which relates to the decision;

and

- in respect of any declared conflict of interest, a note of dispensation granted.