

**Written statement of a key decision**  
**Cabinet**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Hereford Transport Strategy Review</b>
Decision maker	Cabinet Information about cabinet, including the names and contact details of the cabinet members, can be found here: <a href="http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=251">http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=251</a>
Date of decision	3 December 2020
Report exemption class	Open
Reason for being a key decision	This is a key decision because it is likely to be significant having regard to: the strategic nature of the decision; and / or whether the outcome will have an impact, for better or worse, on the amenity of the community or quality of service provided by the authority to a significant number of people living or working in the locality (two or more wards) affected.
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	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.
<b>Decision</b>	<b>That cabinet:</b>  <b>(a) notes and considers the review findings and the recommendations and comments of the general scrutiny committee;</b>  <b>(b) identifies strategic transport packages A+ B + from package C demand management – option 11 car parking + E as the preferred options to take forward;</b>  <b>(c) agrees the recommendations A to M of the general scrutiny committee which are set out at Appendix E with the exception of recommendation K;</b>

	<p>(d) seeks a further report to set out the implications of taking forward the preferred package(s) and confirms authority for subsequent work to proceed; and</p> <p>(e) with regard to the two road schemes (the southern link road and western bypass) is minded to recommend to</p> <p>i. stop progress of the southern link road; and</p> <p>ii. stop progress of the western bypass.</p> <p><b>*The monitoring officer advised cabinet members that part (e) of the decision would need to be referred to Council for a decision and that a further report would be prepared for cabinet to make a recommendation to Council.</b></p>
Reason for the decision	<p>As set out in the report. Documents relating to this decision are available at</p> <p><a href="http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50034432">http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50034432</a></p>
Options considered	<p>1. Six strategic transport packages, have been developed as part of the Hereford Transport Strategy Review. Their performance relative to key objectives, outcomes and deliverability criteria is set out in the technical report included at Appendix A. The packages are as follows:</p> <p><b>Active Travel Package</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Package A (active travel): Walking and cycling, safer routes to school, low traffic neighbourhoods, behavioural change campaign, transport sharing schemes and mobility hubs</li> </ul> <p><b>Active Travel and Bus Improvements Package</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Package A+B (buses): Active Travel <b>combined with</b> electrification of the urban bus fleet, school bus services, demand responsive bus services and bus priority measures</li> </ul> <p><b>Active Travel and Bus Improvements and Demand Management Package</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Package A+B+C (demand management): Active Travel and Buses <b>combined with</b> demand management measures and intelligent transport systems</li> </ul> <p><b>Active Travel and Demand Management and Road Link Packages</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Package A+C+D: Active Travel and Demand Management <b>combined with</b> western bypass (including southern link road)</li> <li>• Package A+C+E: Active Travel and Demand Management <b>combined with</b> eastern link (Rotherwas to Ledbury Road)</li> <li>• Package A+C+F: Active Travel and Demand</li> </ul>

	<p>Management <b>combined with</b> an eastern river crossing (Rotherwas to Hampton Park Road)</p> <p>2. Package A+C+D includes both the southern link road and western bypass. These two major road schemes are included in the adopted local transport plan strategy and have been progressed as major transport schemes. In October 2019 the decision was taken to pause both of these road schemes pending the outcome of the strategy and peer reviews set out in this report. In considering which strategic package or combination of packages to take forward cabinet should also determine the next steps for the southern link road and western bypass. The alternative options are identified in the recommendation and include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. stopping either or both schemes</li> <li>ii. continuing to pause either or both schemes</li> <li>iii. undertaking further review of either or both schemes</li> <li>iv. progressing either or both schemes</li> </ol>
Declarations of interest (see below)	Councillor Hitchiner declared a schedule 1 interest in relation to property in his ownership. He confirmed the monitoring officer had granted a dispensation for him to participate in the meeting and vote on the item. .
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	<p>10 December 2020</p> <p>The monitoring officer advised cabinet members that part (e) of the decision would need to be referred to Council and therefore is not subject to call in.</p>

<p>Councillor: .....</p> <p>Leader of the Council (Councillor David Hitchiner)</p>	<p>Date 3 December 2020</p>
--	-----------------------------

- 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.