

Issue reference: I50035230

Written statement of a key decision Cabinet

Title	Local authority school buildings maintenance works 2021-2023
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	17 December 2020
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.
	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.
	ance with Part 3 (Key decisions) of The Local Authorities (Executive Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.
General exception or special urgency (as defined in the constitution)	No
Purpose	To approve the proposed expenditure of capital grants for school buildings maintenance works.
	The Department for Education provides capital funding to local authorities responsible for schools. This funding includes the schools condition allocation which is intended for the maintenance of community and voluntary controlled schools.
	The distribution of this funding is determined in accordance with the principles set out in the schools capital investment strategy and is based on regular condition surveys.

	Appendix A provides the details of the schemes being proposed as part of this programme of works.			
Decision	That: (a) The school maintenance schemes as set out in appendix A be approved for implementation in 2021/22 and 2022/23;			
	(b) The Assistant Director Education Development and Skills be authorised to take all operational decisions necessary to implement the approved schemes, and any other urgent contingency schemes required, within the approved budget of £2.940m for maintenance;			
	(c) The Assistant Director Education Development and Skills be authorised to take all operational decisions necessary to vary the approved schemes should the amount of funding received from the Department for Education differ from that used to determine the proposed schemes.			
Reason for the decision	As set out in the report. Documents relating to this decision are available at http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50035230			
Options considered	The maintenance grant supporting building works in schools could be profiled differently. The schemes have been determined from the last condition reports produced for each school. The profile has been considered extensively by the schools capital investment strategy team, the council's property services section and the capital strategy consultative group (involving headteachers). The proposed works are addressing the known priorities.			
Declarations of interest (see • below)				
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	23 December 2020			

Councillor:	Leader of the Council (Councillor David Hitchiner)	Date	17 December 2020	
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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.