

Written statement of a key decision
Cabinet

Title	To set out the councils preferred waste collection model and to agree the implementation plan for the new waste management service
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	22 April 2021
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 confirm the council's preferred waste collection option and to agree to implement the new waste management service for the county. The council's Waste Management contracts for the collection service and the disposal service are due to expire in 2023 and 2024. There are aspirations in the County Plan to address the climate and ecological emergency which seeks to protect the environment, use our resources in the most efficient way and become a carbon neutral County by 2030. The council launched a waste collection consultation with the public in December 2020 following recommendations from the waste task and finish group in September 2020 and in response to expected changes in national legislation. The consultation has now concluded and the council will set out its

	preferred future operating model with a view to procuring the future collection and disposal contracts over the next three years.
Decision	<p>That:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The council adopts three weekly residual collection with twin stream recycling, as outlined in this report, as its preferred operating model for the county's waste management collection service with a view to being fully operational in 2023; b) A further report is brought back to Cabinet outlining the capital costs that will be recommended to add to the council's 2022/23 capital programme to ensure successful implementation of the preferred model in terms of fleet, bins, equipment and depot alterations; c) A further report is brought back to cabinet in early 2022 detailing a fully costed scheme and preferred procurement route for the new collection service; and d) All operational decisions be taken by the Assistant Director for Regulation, Environment & Waste Services to implement the above recommendations
Reason for the decision	As set out in the report. Documents relating to this decision are available at http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50037265
Options considered	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do nothing - This is not an option as the current waste collection arrangements are due to expire in November 2023 and there is no further extension option. The waste collection and disposal services are a statutory service that the council have to provide so therefore it is not an option to do nothing. 2. Re-procure the existing operating model – This is not an option as significant changes to government waste policy will be introduced in 2021 which will require waste collection authorities to introduce increased segregation of waste streams and to introduce weekly food waste collection services. This requires a change to our current operating model.
Declarations of interest (see below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	28 April 2021

Councillor:	Date 22 April 2021
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.