

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

<b>Title</b>	<b>Hereford Museum &amp; Art Gallery (Detailed Design)</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	24 February 2022
Report exemption class	Open
Reason for being a key decision	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
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 approve up to £1.5m of the expenditure required to instruct the technical project manager and design team to complete the detailed design stage of the project and any related work required to support the development of the full business case including seeking planning and all related regulatory approvals such as listed building consent.
<b>Decision</b>	<b>That:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a) The redevelopment of the Hereford Museum and Art Gallery to create a new high quality visitor attraction project is approved;</b></li> </ol>

	<p><b>b) Expenditure of up to £1.5m of the Hereford Museum and Art Gallery (HMAG) redevelopment capital programme allocation be approved to complete the detailed design stage of the project including seeking planning permission; and</b></p> <p><b>c) The Director for Community and Wellbeing, following consultation with Deputy Section 151 Officer, in consultation with the Cabinet member commissioning, procurement and assets, be authorised take all operational decisions necessary to complete the detailed design stage and seek planning approval within the £1.5m approved budget.</b></p>
Reason for the decision	As set out in the report. Documents relating to this decision are available at <a href="http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=I50040079">http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=I50040079</a>
Options considered	1. Do nothing – The council could choose to not approve the expenditure.. However, this would mean we would be unable to seek the technical support such as architects, building condition surveys and specialist heritage advice required to seek the Stronger Towns or National Heritage Lottery Fund grants. Failure to meet the required timescales or information requirements for these funds would prevent the proposed project from progressing.
Declarations of interest (see below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	2 March 2022

Councillor: ..... Leader of the Council (Councillor David Hitchiner)	Date 24 February 2022
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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;
- and
- in respect of any declared conflict of interest, a note of dispensation granted.