

Issue reference: I50041934

Written statement of a key decision Cabinet member children and families

Title	Multiply Local Investment Plan submission to the Department for Education			
Decision maker	Cabinet member children and families			
	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	1 July 2022			
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.			
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)	Yes			
Purpose	To seek Cabinet Member approval to further develop and submit the local Investment Plan for consideration by the Department for Education for the delivery of the Multiply adult numeracy programme. The Local Investment Plan will outline how the council will deliver the £903,193.51 Multiply programme over a 3-year financial funding year period.			
Decision	a) The Cabinet Member for Children and Young People approves the submission of the Multiply Investment			

	Plan to the Department for Education to deliver a 3-year adult numeracy programme in Herefordshire; and b) The council agrees to act as the accountable body for the Multiply programme within Herefordshire and any associated grant funding awarded by government; and c) Authority is delegated to the Director for Children and Young People following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People to determine the final investment plan and submit to the Department For Education; and d) Authority is delegated to the Director for Children and Young People and S151 Officer in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People to undertake any operational decisions required to implement the Multiply programme within Herefordshire.
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=50041934
Options considered	1. To not submit a 3 year Multiply Investment Plan for Herefordshire by 30th June 2022. This is not recommended because this will result in the county not receiving up to £0.9m of Multiply programme funding investment that has been allocated to Herefordshire to improve adult numeracy skills. This will impact those businesses and residents who could most benefit from improved numeracy skills. It would also be a lost opportunity to improve the skills base of the county and address levelling up and growth ambitions.
Declarations of interest (see • below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	7 July 2022

Councillor:		Date	1 July 2022
	Cabinet member children and families (Councillor Diana Toynbee)		

 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.