

Issue reference: I50042658

Written statement of a key decision Cabinet

Title	Hereford Transport Hub - approval of outline design, specification and cost plan			
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	27 October 2022			
Report exemption class	Part exempt			
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.			
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	This report presents an update on the Hereford Transport Hub project, and seeks approval for the cost plan. It takes forwards steps identified in the 22 July 2021 cabinet report for the Transport Hub. To approve for the Hereford Transport Hub project: The cost plan To proceed from Planning and Design (Stage 2) to Delivery (Stage 3)			
Decision	That:			
	a) Cabinet approves the cost plan for the Hereford Transport Hub design; and			
	b) Cabinet approves that the project proceeds from Planning and Design stage (stage 2) to Delivery stage			

	 (stage 3); c) Recommend to Council the inclusion of the additional amount of £6.33m into the capital programme. d) All operational decisions to be delegated to the Corporate Director for Economy and Environment in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Transport and Section 151 officer.
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=50042658
Options considered	 Not to proceed – this will not allow progression to the next stage of the project and would prevent the completion of the Hereford Transport Hub. This is not recommended as it would result in some package objectives / targets as set out in the 2015 Marches Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) business case not being achieved. This could result in clawback of monies paid to date and would not be consistent with the council's adopted delivery plan. Not to proceed – this will not allow an update of the 22 July 2021 cabinet decision which authorised the engagement of professional design services to enable cost certainty to be given. Not to proceed – this will mean that the proposed Hereford Transport Hub project will not be delivered and the quality of interchange facilities at Hereford railway station remains poor with negative impacts on the integration of transport modes, connectivity and sustainable travel/access between the city centre, and the railway station.
Declarations of interest (see • below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	2 November 2022

Councillor:		Date	27 October 2022
	Deputy Leader of the Council (Councillor Liz Harvey)		

 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.