

Written statement of a key decision
Cabinet member health and adult wellbeing

Title	The Home Adaptations and Assistance Policy
Decision maker	Cabinet member health and adult wellbeing 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	10 February 2023
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	This report is seeking Cabinet approval of the revisions of the policy document "Home Adaptations and Assistance Policy". This meets the legal requirements for the council to have such a policy, clearly sets out its mandatory duties in this area and maximises the ability to use relevant powers under legislation to support the county's residents to remain living safely and independently in their own homes. The revisions update the policy in line with current government guidance and good practice.
Decision	That: a) The revisions to the Home Adaptations and Assistance Policy be approved.

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=50043845
Options considered	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Not to have a current policy - it would inhibit the council's abilities to make maximum use of flexibilities allowed under legislation without a published policy. 2. Retaining the previous policy, without revision would not allow the council to respond as flexibly in supporting people to remain living in their own homes, and would fail to meet current government guidance
Declarations of interest (see ▪ below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	16 February 2023

Councillor: Cabinet member health and adult wellbeing (Councillor Pauline Crockett) /	Date 10 February 2023
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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.