

**Written statement of a key decision**  
**Cabinet member finance and corporate services**

<b>Title</b>	<b>IT Strategy Renewal (Digital, Data and Technology Strategy)</b>
Decision maker	Cabinet member finance and corporate services 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	1 March 2024
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 agree the renewed digital strategy, which has been expanded into a Digital, Data and Technology Strategy (DDaT). The strategy outlines the approach and key activity that supports the work of the council, assists people accessing council services, creates efficiencies and keeps the organisation operational and safe.
<b>Decision</b>	That: a) The Cabinet Member for Cabinet member Finance and Corporate Services the Digital, Data and Technology Strategy as outlined in appendix 1.  b) The Cabinet Member Finance and Corporate Services delegates authority to the Director of Resources and Assurance to take all operational decisions as set out in paragraph 23 to implement and deliver the Digital, Data and Technology Strategy.

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=50046632">http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50046632</a>
Options considered	<p>1. That the strategy is not adopted. The council is not obliged to produce a Digital, Data and Technology Strategy, however the document outlines the reasons, rationale, work programmes and priorities to create a joined up and corporate approach to IT delivery across Herefordshire Council, with support from Hoople Ltd. Therefore it is recommended that the Digital, Data and Technology Strategy is adopted.</p> <p>2. That the Digital, Data and Technology Strategy has different priorities. This is not recommended. The strategy has been compiled following consultation and discussion with relevant parties to identify the council's future priorities and needs.</p>
Declarations of interest (see below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	7 March 2024

Councillor: .....	Date 1 March 2024
Cabinet member finance and corporate services (Councillor Pete Stoddart)	

- 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.