

CORPORATE ICT STRATEGY

PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITY: CORPORATE AND CUSTOMER SERVICES AND HUMAN RESOURCES

CABINET

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Wards Affected

None

Purpose

To agree the Corporate ICT Strategy.

Key Decision

This is not a key decision.

Recommendations

THAT

- a) **Subject to any comments the proposed Corporate ICT Strategy be approved;**
- b) **It be acknowledged that the Corporate ICT Strategy supports the Council's corporate objectives and the service objectives of Directorates.**

Reasons

The ICT Strategy set out the direction for the Council's future development of the service, consistent with the Medium Term Financial Strategy, Herefordshire Connects etc.

Considerations

1. The Corporate ICT Strategy was submitted to Cabinet on 14th December 2006 and was approved subject to comments.
2. In order to take account of the impact of the Herefordshire Connects programme, the Public Service Trust initiative and the Members ICT Scrutiny Review, the document has been updated and reviewed.
3. The document has also been updated to take account of the Medium Term Financial Management Strategy (MTFMS).
4. The updated document was considered by the Information Policy Group on the 23rd May and to Corporate Management Board on the 29th May.
5. There is a financial impact of this strategy that will be partly funded by the corporate

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funding for ICT. Additional funding will be subject to business case and the usual Council's usual budget processes.

Risk Management

With an increasing reliance on ICT to provide financial savings and support business transformation a structured approach to technology procurement, implementation and ICT service delivery is required.

Without this strategy there is a risk that wasted cost, resources and effort would occur and the transformation programmes (including Herefordshire Connects) would not fully realise the benefits they aim to deliver.

Alternative Options

None

Consultees

None

Appendices

Appendix 1 - Corporate ICT Strategy

Background Papers

None