

## Record of officer decision

<b>Decision title:</b>	<b>Climate Risk Assessment and Adaptation Strategy</b>	
<b>Date of decision:</b>	02/05/23	
<b>Decision maker:</b>	Corporate Director, Economy and Environment	
<b>Authority for delegated decision:</b>	<p>Cabinet decision authorising the officer; Citizens Climate Assembly Next Steps and Recommendations, dated 28 April 2022.</p> <p><a href="https://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/documents/s50099972/Citizens%20Climate%20Assembly%20Next%20Steps%20and%20Recommendations.pdf">https://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/documents/s50099972/Citizens%20Climate%20Assembly%20Next%20Steps%20and%20Recommendations.pdf</a></p> <p>Cabinet decision approving the movement of reserves, dated 29 September 2022.</p> <p><a href="https://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/documents/s50103908/Annual%20review%20of%20earmarked%20reserves.pdf">https://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/documents/s50103908/Annual%20review%20of%20earmarked%20reserves.pdf</a></p> <p>A Record of Officer Decision</p> <p><a href="https://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/documents/s50105094/Citizens%20Climate%20Assembly%20Project%20Delivery.pdf">https://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/documents/s50105094/Citizens%20Climate%20Assembly%20Project%20Delivery.pdf</a></p>	
<b>Ward:</b>	All wards	
<b>Consultation:</b>	N/A	
<b>Decision made:</b>	To award the contract to Sustainability West Midlands to deliver a Climate Change Risk and Impact Assessment and Adaptation and Resilience Strategy at a cost not exceeding £48,725.00	
<b>Reasons for decision:</b>	<p>The purpose is to secure Sustainability West Midlands to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Produce a new Herefordshire Climate Change Risk and Impact Assessment</li> <li>2. Work with stakeholders to develop an Adaptation and Resilience Strategy and associated action plan covering 2023 – 2030</li> <li>3. Provide the catalyst for further action within the authority and amongst local partners, specifically to encourage serious resource allocation.</li> <li>4. Produce an Adaption and Resilience strategy.</li> </ol>	
<b>Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:</b>	<b>RISKS</b>	<b>MITIGATION</b>
	<p>Lack of engagement from council and partners</p> <p>Strategy will not be delivered within the timeframe</p>	<p>Early engagement at the outset building on existing strong relationships across council services and with external partners</p> <p>Fortnightly project management meetings to ensure on time delivery, in line with Gantt chart as provided</p>
<b>Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:</b>	Not to proceed –This is not recommended as Cabinet approved the programme on the 28 April 2022 and the use of reserves on the 29 September 2022.	

<b>Details of any declarations</b>	N/A
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I am an officer delegated to make the decision

Signed:

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