

WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

RECORD OF MEMBER DELEGATED DECISION

EDUCATION DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY RE-CONSULTATION

Date of Decision	8 March 2019
Decision Maker	Mr M J Hart, Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education and Skills
Brief Description of Decision	<p>The Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education and Skills:</p> <p>(a) noted the details of the representations made in response to the public consultation on the revised Worcestershire Education Planning Obligations policy during the representation period 7 January 2019 to 18 February 2019 as summarised in Appendix A to the report;</p> <p>(b) noted the changes as proposed to the policy (see Appendix B to the report) following representations made during the public consultation; and</p> <p>(c) authorised the re-consultation of the Worcestershire Education Planning Obligations Policy over a 6 week period from 7 May 2019 until 18 June 2019 following changes as laid out in the report.</p>
Reason(s) For Decision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To ensure the Council takes the correct approach in meeting its statutory duty with regard to school place planning. • To acknowledge the level and scale of recommended changes to the policy following the initial consultation, and undertake a further 6 week consultation to provide stakeholders and interested parties a further opportunity to respond, and thus ensuring transparency in the decision making process.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leave the policy as is, without taking account of recommendations received during the initial consultation. This option was rejected as it would result in Council practice in opposition to DfE guidance, and would result in a failure to meet our statutory duty of providing sufficient school places. • Approval of the policy including recommended changes without re-consultation. This option was rejected due to the scale of the changes proposed since the first consultation.
Any Conflict of Interest declared by a consulted Cabinet Member/any dispensation granted	None
Signature of Decision Maker	Mr M J Hart
Date of Implementation of Decision	19 March 2019