

**RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION
BY CABINET**

ITEM:	Relocation of Redditch Library - Public Consultation Results
Cabinet Members Present:	Councillors Simon Geraghty (Chairman), Marc Bayliss, Adrian Hardman, Marcus Hart, Adam Kent, Karen May, Richard Morris, and Mike Rouse.
Date of Decision:	20 July 2023
Purpose:	To consider the public consultation results for the proposal to relocate Redditch Library.
DECISION:	<p>Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Noted the proposals for re-locating Redditch Library as part of Redditch’s Town Deal Plan; b) Noted the findings from the public consultation as outlined in paragraphs 35-49 in the report; c) Notes the suggested solutions for mitigating the concerns raised within the public consultation as outlined in paragraphs 50-56, d) Noted the detail on meeting the specific commercial, operational and collaboration requirements set out by the County Council; e) Noted the feedback from the Overview and Scrutiny Performance Board meeting on the 26 June 2023; f) Approved the recommendation to support the proposal to re-locate the Library Service to the Community Hub at Redditch Town Hall; and g) Authorised the Strategic Director for People and Strategic Director for Commercial and Change in consultation with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Communities and the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Corporate Services and Communication to finalise the lease agreement(s) and plans to relocate the library service.

Reason(s) for the Decision:	As set out in the report. To move Redditch Library Service from its current location, into a new Community Hub at Redditch Town Hall, to free up the space for the development of Redditch Town Centre.
Alternative Options Considered:	None other than as set out in the report.
Conflict of Interest (any declared by a consulted Cabinet Member/any dispensation granted)	Cllr Simon Geraghty declared an interest having represented the County Council on the Redditch Town New Deal Board. Cllr Mike Rouse declared an interest as a previous member of the Redditch Borough Council Executive during the early formation of the plans to relocate Redditch Library.
Date the decision is due to take effect:	27 July 2023

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