

**RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION
BY CABINET**

ITEM:	Exploratory Work at County Hall
Cabinet Members Present:	Councillors Simon Geraghty (Chairman), Marc Bayliss, David Chambers, Marcus Hart, Adam Kent, Steve Mackay, Karen May, Richard Morris, David Ross and Emma Stokes.
Date of Decision:	18 July 2024
Purpose:	To consider future exploratory work to be undertaken at County Hall, Worcester.
DECISION:	<p>Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Approved a one-off budget of £375k funded from reserves for the urgent stripping out and inspection of the underside of RAAC panels on the upper floors of County Hall to make a complete assessment of risk and to enable structural and building services engineers to make remediation proposals; b) Approved a one-off budget of up to £1.5 million funded from reserves to carry out remedial works where the inspection highlights that this is feasible, provided that the work would enable the safe occupation of as much of County Hall as was available immediately prior to the vacation of the whole of the building and ideally, if possible, the Council Chamber; c) Authorised the Strategic Director for Economy and Infrastructure, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to enter into contracts to undertake the more detailed investigation and progress opportunities for remediation within the approved budget and compliance with procurement processes; and d) Requested a report back to Cabinet in the Autumn with an update.
Reason(s) for the Decision:	As set out in the report.

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)	None
Date the decision is due to take effect:	25 July 2024

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