

## **WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

## RECORD OF OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION

Appendix A – Exempt from publication, paragraphs 3 and 5, Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972

| Item                                                                                                     | Title                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Date Of Decision                                                                                         | Monday 19 August 2024                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Decision Maker                                                                                           | Hazel Best, Assistant Director for Legal and Governance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|                                                                                                          | In accordance with the Officer's scheme of delegation, the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance is authorised under paragraph 3 and 4 of their delegations to settle on appropriate terms any litigation or claim taken by or against the Council. The ADLG authorised the Chief Finance officer to sign the settlement agreement.                                                 |
| Brief Description Of<br>Decision                                                                         | To settle all claims arising from two agreements dated 21 April 2015, entered into with Civica UK Limited ("Civica") for the (i) provision of customer services for Worcestershire hub shared service partnership; and (ii) admission of Civica to the Local Government Pension Scheme ("Scheme") and to participate in the Worcestershire County Council Pension Fund within the Scheme. |
| Reason(s) For<br>Decision                                                                                | Please see Appendix A, exempt legal advice                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Alternative Options<br>Considered And<br>Rejected                                                        | The option to not settle the dispute was considered. Due to the risk and cost of litigation this option was considered not appropriate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Joint Equality, Public Health, Data Protection and Sustainability Impact Assessments carried out         | Give details of any Joint Equality, Public Health, Data Protection and Sustainability Impact Assessments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                                                                                                          | The JIA screening did not identify any potential considerations requiring further assessment during implementation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Any Conflict of<br>Interest declared by<br>a consulted Cabinet<br>Member/ any<br>dispensation<br>granted | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |



| Item                                | Title                               |
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| Signature                           | Hazi Best                           |
| Reference/Date<br>Published         | For use by Democratic Services only |
| Delegation check                    |                                     |
| Legal / Finance<br>Check            |                                     |
| Monitoring Officer<br>Review needed |                                     |