**DECISION RECORD**

Subject: Whether to exercise option to acquire land at west of Royston

(Please use the same title as provided in the Forward Plan)

Staff Contact: Emily White
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Executive Member: Owen Mapley
Portfolio: Resources

1. Decision

To enter into an option agreement to acquire additional land at west of Royston if required in the future for a 2FE First School

2. Reasons for the decision

To meet expected demand for school places arising from proposed housing in Royston

3. Alternative options considered and rejected

Refuse to enter into the option

4. Consultation

(a) Comments of Executive Member

Noted and agreed

(b) Comments of other consultees

None

5. Following consultation with, and the concurrence of the Executive Member, I am proceeding with the proposed decision.

Signed: [Signature]
Title: Director of Resources
Date: 5 June 2018

6. Copies of agreed document to:

- All consultees

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- Chairman, and Vice-Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- hard & electronic copy (for public inspection both at County Hall and on Hertsdirect) Assistant Head of Member Services - Room 211 County Hall.

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1 for guidance see Chief Legal Officer's note "Taking Decisions"
2 details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the officer at the time the decision was made
3 record any conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member consulted. If an Executive Member declares a conflict of interest DO NOT PROCEED without seeking advice from the Chief Legal Officer
4 If the matter has general significance for the Council and/or is, or is likely to be, controversial, then the officer shall consult the appropriate Executive Member before proceeding. In some cases it will be necessary to consult more than one Executive Member, and in some cases the Leader of the Council will need to be consulted
5 If the matter has local significance, but no general significance for the Council and no controversial aspects, the officer shall consult or inform the local member in writing (or by e-mail) and proceed. It is essential that all officers responsible for delivering services ensure that local members are kept well briefed on issues affecting their areas.