



**OFFICIAL DECISION NOTICE PUBLISHED BY
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The Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care have made the following decision today:

<p>1.</p>	<p><i>THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL AND THE CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE</i></p> <p>AWARD OF CONTRACT: AUTISM ASSESSMENTS</p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>That the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Accept the transfer of £91,500 from Hillingdon Clinical Commissioning Group to address a backlog of assessments of people with autistic spectrum disorder condition;2. Accept a single tender from the Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust to complete a programme of assessments for people living with autistic spectrum disorder conditions for the London Borough of Hillingdon for the period between the 1st February 2021 and the 31st March 2021 at a total cost of £91,500. <p>REASONS FOR THE DECISION MADE</p> <p>Hillingdon Clinical Commissioning Group (HCCG) has £91.5k available through the North West London Transforming Care Partnership (TCP) to enable it to commission additional assessments of people with autistic spectrum disorder (ASD) conditions. This funding must be spent by the 31st March 2021. The usual route would be for the CCG to commission the Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust (CNWL) to undertake these assessments, but Covid-related directions from NHS England (NHSE) prevent this.</p> <p>CNWL currently undertake assessments for people with ASD and approval of the recommendation will enable them to address the backlog of cases and avoid the fragmentation that would result from another provider being introduced.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</p> <p>Not to accept the funding: This would necessitate the CCG returning the funding and is therefore not recommended.</p> <p>Undertaking a competitive tender: This is not recommended as it would not be possible to undertake a competitive tender within the timescale available.</p>	<p><i>Tony Zaman, Corporate Director Adults, Children & Young People Services</i></p> <p><i>Hazel Ashworth, Social Care</i></p>
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	<p>FURTHER INFORMATION</p> <p>That this report be declared as exempt from publication as it involves the disclosure of information in accordance with Section 100(A) and paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 (A) to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), in that the report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.</p>	
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DECISION AUTHORITY & IMPLEMENTATION

Where required, these decisions have been taken under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

These decisions, unless called in, will come into effect from 5pm on Thursday 25 March 2021.

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