



OFFICIAL EXECUTIVE DECISION NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given that the following decision(s) have been made today by Cabinet Members at the London Borough of Hillingdon:

Title of decision	Property Works Programme 2021/22: Replacement of Communal Boilers at Abbotts RFC and Breakspear Crematorium and the Replacement of Domestic Boiler at Merrimans House Residential Care Home RELEASE NO: 12
Reference No.	279
Date of decision	12 October 2021
Call-in expiry date	5pm, on Tuesday 19 October 2021
Relevant Select Committee(s)	Corporate, Finance and Property Services Select Committee
Relevant Ward(s)	Charville, Brunel, West Ruislip

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Councillor Jonathan Bianco – Cabinet Member for Property and Infrastructure Councillor Martin Goddard – Cabinet Member for Finance
DECISION	APPROVED That the Cabinet Member for Finance and Cabinet Member for Property & Infrastructure agreed to the capital release requests of £25k from the Property Works Programme (PWP) 2021/22 capital budget for the replacement of communal boilers at Abbotts RFC and Breakspear Crematorium and the replacement of the domestic boiler at Merrimans House Residential Care Home. (Appendix A of the linked report)
Reason for decision	The existing boilers at Abbotts RFC, Merrimans House Residential Care Home & Breakspear Crematorium are now increasingly difficult to maintain due to unavailability of spare parts, rendering them uneconomical to repair and effectively obsolete. The boilers on site have already been isolated and non-operational and they are in a very poor condition. Industry standards suggest that with regular servicing and maintenance, communal boilers have a typical life expectancy of around 15-20 years. The boiler at Abbotts RFC and Breakspear Crematorium are estimated to be 30+ years old, operating

	beyond their serviceable life, outmoded and inefficient when compared to modern equipment. On this basis, the Cabinet Member for Property and Infrastructure and the Cabinet Member for Finance have agreed the capital release for the replacement of the communal boilers at these sites.
Alternative options considered and rejected	The Cabinet Members could have decided to maintain the plant with whatever spares are available and / or have bespoke parts manufactured. This may have seen the plant inoperative whilst parts are found or manufactured, leaving vulnerable young people and residents without heating or hot water for extended periods of time.
Classification	Part I – Public
Link to associated report	Link to report.
Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Kayleigh Richardson, Infrastructure, Transport and Building Services
Any interest declared by the Cabinet Member(s) / dispensation granted	N/A

Implementation of decision & scrutiny call-in

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When can this decision be implemented by officers?	<p>Officers can implement Cabinet Member decision in this notice only from the expiry of the scrutiny call-in period which is:</p> <p>5pm, on 19 October 2021</p> <p>However, this is subject to the decision not being called in by Councillors on the relevant Select Committee. Upon receipt of a valid call-in request, Democratic Services will immediately advise the relevant officer(s) and the decision must then be put on hold.</p>
Councillor scrutiny call-in of this decision	<p>Councillors on the relevant Select Committee shown in this notice may request to call-in this decision. The request must be before the expiry of the scrutiny call-in period above.</p> <p>Councillors should use the Scrutiny Call-in App (link below) on their devices to initiate any call-in request. Further advice can be sought from Democratic Services if required:</p> <p>Scrutiny Call-In - Power Apps (secure)</p>
Further information	<p>These decisions, where applicable, have been taken under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.</p> <p>This is the formal notice by the Council of the above executive decision, including links to the reports where applicable.</p> <p>If you would like more information on this decision, please contact Democratic Services on 01895 250636 or email: democratic@hillingdon.gov.uk.</p>

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