



OFFICIAL EXECUTIVE DECISION NOTICE PUBLISHED BY DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

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

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| Title of decision | CAPITAL RELEASE REPORT (February 2022) DEPARTMENT: Residents Services SERVICE AREA / PROGRAMME: Housing Revenue Account New General Needs Housing Stock (Housing Buy-Back Scheme) RELEASE NO: 4 |
| Reference No. | 403 |
| Date of decision | Tuesday 15 March 2022 |
| Call-in expiry date | 5pm, Tuesdy 22 March 2022 |
| Relevant Select Committee(s) | Environment, Housing and Regeneration Select Committee |
| Relevant Ward(s) | Uxbridge South, Heathrow Villages, West Ruislip, Uxbridge North, Pinkwell, Brunel, Yiewsley, Charville, West Drayton, Townfield, Barnhill and Botwell |

Decision made

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| Cabinet Members making the decision | Councillor Ian Edwards – Leader of the Council Councillor Martin Goddard - Cabinet Member for Finance Councillor Jonathan Bianco - Cabinet Member for Property and Infrastructure |
| | Approved That the Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance and the Cabinet Member for Property and Infrastructure: 1. agree to the following capital release requests of £5,036k from the Housing Revenue Account Acquisitions and Internal Developments 2021/22 budget for the funding of the purchase and repair of eleven ex-Right-to-Buy properties, as detailed in the report (Appendix A). 2. agree to the following capital release requests of £277k from the Packet Boat House buybacks 2021/22 budget for the funding of the purchase of two ex- |

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| | <p>Right-to-Buy properties, as detailed in the report (Appendix A2).</p> <p>3. agree to the following capital release requests of £813k from the Rough Sleeper Accommodation Programme 2021/22 budget for the funding of the purchase and repair of four ex-Right-to-Buy properties, as detailed in the report (Appendix A3).</p> |
| Reason for decision | In January 2015, Cabinet approved the implementation of a buy-back scheme for ex-Council properties. The scheme was approved to deliver benefits to local residents in terms of improved housing provision in the Borough. |
| Alternative options considered and rejected | The main alternative option is to not buy back the properties, with the vendors selling them privately on the open market. This would not assist the Council in increasing the supply of social housing in the Borough, in meeting the one-for-one replacement commitment, or in utilising time-limited RTB receipts. |
| Classification | Part 2 – Members’ Only and Not for Publication |
| Link to associated report | 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. |
| Relevant Officer contact & Directorate | Ben Sargent – Place Directorate |
| 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, Tuesday 22 March 2022</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> |

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| 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><u>Scrutiny Call-In - Power Apps</u> (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> <p>Circulation of this decision notice is to a variety of people including Members of the Council, Corporate Directors, Officers, Group Secretariats and the Public. Copies are also placed on the Council's website.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Democratic Services London Borough of Hillingdon Civic Centre High Street Uxbridge UB8 1UW</p> |