

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:

Title of decision	CAPITAL RELEASE REPORT (June 2022) DEPARTMENT: Residents Services SERVICE AREA / PROGRAMME: Street Lighting Programme & LED Lighting Upgrade RELEASE NO: 1
Reference No.	500
Date of decision	Tueday 28 June 2022
Call-in expiry date	5pm, Tuesday 05 July 2022
Relevant Select	Property, Highways & Transport Select Committee
Committee	
Relevant Ward	All

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Councillor Jonathan Bianco – Deputy Leader of the Council & Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport Councillor Martin Goddard – Cabinet Member for Finance
	That the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways & Transport and the Cabinet Member for Finance: 1. Agree to the capital release request of £925k from the Street Lighting Replacement Programme 2022/23 capital budget for the funding of replacing lighting columns that have reached the end of their useful economic life and column painting. (Appendices A1, B & C). 2. Agree to the capital release request of £130k from the Street Lighting LED upgrade capital budget for LED retrofit lanterns. (Appendices A2 and D).
Reason for decision	A current major issue is the structural deterioration of the ageing lighting column stock. The vast majority of columns in the Borough are galvanised mild steel which have corroded below ground level. A phased column replacement programme was previously not undertaken for many years resulting in a high risk of structural failures if continued investment is delayed any further.

The project consists of the prioritised based replacement of lighting columns that have reached the end of their life expectancy. The priority is determined from structural testing and inspections. The 2022/23 replacement programme of 706 columns is based on the results from the structural testing of 2500 columns undertaken in 2019 and the data available on the current street lighting asset life expectancy. Furthermore complaints, petitions and members enquire were reviewed and proposed for replacement due to the condition of the columns and inadequate lighting levels.

To assist the Council's commitment to the climate emergency, the columns replacement programme has been reviewed to replace the columns with provision for the electric vehicle charging point where the driveway facilities are unavailable, if the demand arises in the future.

This request includes the LED refit lantern replacement. The Council replaced 23,400 orange low pressure sodium (SOX) lanterns with LED units as part of the borough-wide LED replacement work completed in 2017-2019. This street lighting improvement scheme has improved lighting conditions, road safety, and the perception of safety in the borough, while also significantly lowering energy costs and reducing carbon emissions. While most SOX lanterns have been replaced with LEDs, there are still a number of heritage type high pressure sodium lamps in town centres that need to be replaced with LED retrofit units. It has been determined that this will improve lighting conditions while also significantly lowering energy costs and saving carbon. After this proposed work is completed, all borough-wide street lighting lanterns will be LEDs, improving the Borough's lighting condition.

The project also consists of the lighting column painting to prolong the life of the asset.

These works will be undertaken by our street lighting term service contractor J McCann. This capital scheme will deliver:

- Improved asset condition resulting in a significantly reduced risk of failure due to poor condition.
- To ensure that the lighting installed across the Borough is consistent and adheres with current guidance and standards.
- Value-for-money and reduced maintenance costs reduce the ongoing cost of routine maintenance and non-routine maintenance.
- Improved lighting level for the safety.
- Retrofit LED replacement solution will reduce energy consumption.

	 Reduced maintenance costs – use new technology – retrofit LEDs to reduce the ongoing cost of routine maintenance and non-routine maintenance Reduced carbon due to replacement of high-pressure sodium lantern units. The street lighting team will continue to monitor and compile a non-compliance road list when identified as a result night lamp scout checks, members enquiries, complaints or petition
	reports.
Alternative options considered and rejected	 To make safe columns identified as defective and in need of replacement by cutting them down without replacement - this would leave roads without street lighting. To follow the previous maintenance policy by carrying out reactive maintenance work only without a planned column replacement programme. To find alternative funding.
Classification	Part 1 - Public
Link to associated report	Report
Relevant Officer	Roy Thabrew – Place Directorate
contact & Directorate	•
Any interest declared	N/A
by the Cabinet	
Member(s) /	
dispensation granted	

Implementation of decision & scrutiny call-in

[Internal Use only]	
When can this decision be implemented by officers?	Officers can implement Cabinet Member decision in this notice only from the expiry of the scrutiny call-in period which is:
	5pm, Tuesday 05 July 2022
	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.
Councillor scrutiny call- in of this decision	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.
	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:
	Scrutiny Call-In - Power Apps (secure)

Further information

These decisions, where applicable, have been taken under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

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