



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 (December 2022) DEPARTMENT: Resident Services SERVICE AREA / PROGRAMME: Environmental & Recreational Initiatives: Willow Tree Wander Project
Reference No.	656
Date of decision	Wednesday 14 December 2022
Call-in expiry date	Wednesday 21 December 2022
Relevant Select Committee	Residents' Services Select Committee
Relevant Wards	South Ruislip

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Councillor Martin Goddard - Cabinet Member for Finance Councillor Eddie Lavery - Cabinet Member for Residents' Services
	Approved That the Cabinet Member for Finance and the Cabinet Member for Residents' Services approved the project and capital release request of £44k budget fully funded by Smarter Water Catchment Grant for the Willow Tree Wander Project.
Reason for decision	<p>The 'Reviving Willow Tree Wander Project' aims to improve the river in Spider Park in South Ruislip, so the Council can take practical action to let more light into the river and further interventions to improve the biodiversity, flood storage capacity, amenity value and water quality of the Yeading Brook West. The project contains two linked elements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Willow coppicing/pollarding and light touch habitat works along the river; and,2. A feasibility study for reprofiling the river and daylighting of the surface water sewer to create wetland features in Spider Park. <p>The new features in the park will provide more space for water, away from residential areas and thus reduce the likelihood of flooding. It will also improve the aesthetic environment and encourage access and enjoyment of the riverine environment.</p>

Alternative options considered and rejected	The Cabinet Members could have agreed to fund the scheme and / or suggested alternative projects to which funds could be allocated within the terms of the relevant legal agreements.
Classification	Part 1 – Public
Link to associated report	<u>Report.</u>
Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Dragana Knezevic, 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>Wednesday 21 December 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>
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: <u>democratic@hillingdon.gov.uk</u>.</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>

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