

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 (OCTOBER/ 2023/24) DEPARTMENT: PLACE SERVICE AREA/ PROGRAMME: Platinum Jubilee Leisure Centre – Emergency costs due to Contractor entering into Administration CAPITAL PROGRAMME WORKS SERVICE RELEASE NO: 4
Reference No.	947
Date of decision	Friday 27 October 2023
Call-in expiry date	SPECIAL URGENCY
	N/A – This decision comes into immediate effect
Relevant Select	Property, Highways and Transport Select Committee
Committee(s)	
Relevant Ward(s)	West Drayton

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	The Leader of the Council, and on behalf of the Cabinet Member for Finance and the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport
	APPROVED
	That the Leader of the Council, and on behalf of the Cabinet Member for Finance and the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport:
	Noted that the contractor, The Buckingham Group Contracting Ltd, have entered into administration;
	2. Noted that the contract with Buckingham Group Contracting Ltd has now been terminated;
	3. Approved the expenditure, as set out in the report, for the continued construction costs at the Platinum Jubilee Leisure Centre to carry out protection and works to make the building watertight;
	4. Approved the single tender action to appoint the contractors listed in Table 1 in order to instruct the

	essential protection and weathertight works and mitigate any losses to the council's asset; and
	 Noted the reallocation of the unused £19.0m capital release for the Buckingham Group Contracting Ltd, to fund the various sub-contractors and associated costs, listed in Table 1, to allow the continuation of the construction of the Platinum Jubilee Leisure Centre.
Reason for decision	The Leader agreed an urgent decision to allow works to the Platinum Jubilee Leisure Centre to continue and made weathertight whilst a replacement main contractor is procured. This work is to protect and make weathertight the building, in an effort to mitigate losses due to the damage from the weather and other sources if it were left in its current state. The expenditure requested is from the reallocation of the unused capital release for the project, previously approved.
Alternative options considered and rejected	Not to proceed with the use of the urgent funds could delay the project completion further and cause damage to the existing structure which could result in additional costs in rectifying damage.
Classification	Part II – 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 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	Jenny Evans – 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?	This decision was taken under special urgency procedures and deemed urgent by the Leader of the Council. The reason for urgency is to allow works to the Platinum Jubilee Leisure Centre to continue and made weathertight
	whilst a replacement main contractor is procured and to mitigate losses due to the damage from the weather and other sources if it were left in its current state.

Agreement that the matter was urgent and could not have been reasonably deferred, along with the waiver of the scrutiny call-in period, was also granted by the Chairman of the Property, Highways and Transport Select Committee.

THIS DECISION THEREFORE COMES INTO IMMEDIATE EFFECT.

Further information

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

This is the formal notice by the Council of the above executive decision, including links to the reports where applicable.

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