



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	IN SOURCING OF A REGISTERED CARE HOME - LOWDELL CLOSE, YIEWSLEY TO ADULT SOCIAL CARE – DIRECT CARE SERVICES
Reference No.	1046
Date of decision	Tuesday 20 February 2024
Call-in expiry date	SPECIAL URGENCY N/A – This decision comes into immediate effect
Relevant Select Committees	Health and Social Care Select Committee
Relevant Ward	Yiewsley

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	The Leader of the Council, and on behalf of the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care and the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport
	APPROVED That Leader of the Council, and on behalf of the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care and the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approved the in-sourcing of the Registered Care Home – Lowdell Close for Adults with learning disabilities and complex needs due to the current care provider Community Integrated Care [CiC] giving notice to the Council;2. Agreed to the TUPE transfer of existing staff working in the Registered Care home to the Council; and3. Approved the assignment of the current lease at 186/188 Lowdell Close, West Drayton UB7 8RA, leading to the Council becoming the new tenant of the premises.
Reason for decision	The Leader and Cabinet Members considered an urgent report regarding the in sourcing of a Registered Care Home for people with learning disabilities – Lowdell Close in Yiewsley. The current care provider, Community Integrated Care (CiC) have given notice to the Council that they will no longer provide care and support services in Hillingdon.

	<p>This Registered Care home is a 4 bedded service providing 24-hour care to adults with learning disabilities and very complex needs, with all places commissioned by the Council. The service is rated by CQC as Requires Improvement.</p> <p>The report proposed that the Council's Adult Social Care directly provide the service going forward to provide service continuity, because whilst work had been undertaken to source alternative accommodation, the registered provision is a reasonable service, settled staff and resident group, so it would be sensible to consider the service being provided by the Council in the short to medium term given for the benefit of those in the care home.</p>
Alternative options considered and rejected	The London Borough of Hillingdon have two Learning disability residential homes in their portfolio, however, there are no current vacancies suitable for the 4 residents. Although alternative options have been explored, there are no suitable, cost-effective registered care providers to take this Care Home on at this time and moving settled individuals to a range of different settings would not be a legitimate or appropriate course of action.
Classification	Part II – Members' Only and Not for Publication
Link to associated report	<i>That this report be declared as exempt from publication as it involves the disclosure of information in accordance with Section 100(A) and paragraphs 3 & 4 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 also information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.</i>
Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Jan Major – Adult Social Care and Health
Any interest declared by the Cabinet Member(s)/ dispensation granted	N/A

Implementation of decision & scrutiny call-in

[Internal Use only]	
When can this decision be implemented by officers?	This decision was taken under special urgency procedures in the Council Constitution and deemed urgent by the Leader of the Council.

	<p>The reason for urgency is due to the importance of securing continuity of care and the likelihood that the present provider will withdraw their service imminently.</p> <p>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 Chair of the Health and Social Care Select Committee.</p> <p>THIS DECISION THEREFORE COMES INTO IMMEDIATE EFFECT.</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. This is the formal notice by the Council of the above executive decision, including links to the reports where applicable. If you would like more information on this decision, please contact Democratic Services on 01895 250636 or email: democratic@hillingdon.gov.uk. Circulation of this decision notice is to a variety of people including Members of the Council, Corporate & Executive Directors, Officers 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>