

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	Housing Revenue Account New General Needs Housing Stock (Housing Buy-Back Scheme) - RELEASE NO: 1, 2024/25
Reference No.	1135
Date of decision	Friday 28 June 2024
Call-in expiry date	Tuesday 5 July 2024
Relevant Select	Corporate Resources and Infrastructure Select Committee
Committee	
Relevant Wards	Wood End, Colham & Cowley, West Drayton, Charville, Yeading

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Councillor Jonathan Bianco – Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport Councillor Eddie Lavery – Cabinet Member for Residents' Services Councillor Martin Goddard – Cabinet Member for Finance
Decision	 Approved That the Cabinet Members: Agree to the following capital release requests of £2,376k from the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Acquisitions 2024/25 for the funding of the purchase and repair of seven properties, as detailed in the report (Appendix A). Agree to a budget virement of £1,286k from the HRA Unallocated Acquisition and Development Budget 2024/25 to the HRA Acquisitions Buyback Budget 2024/25.
Reason for decision Alternative options	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. The alternative option is to not buy back the properties, with the
considered and rejected	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. None at this stage.

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Classification	Part 2 - Members' Only and Not for Publication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, Central Services 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?	Officers can implement Cabinet Member decision in this notice only from the expiry of the scrutiny call-in period which is: 5pm on Friday 4 July 2024	
	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.

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

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