



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	IRRECOVERABLE DEBT GREATER THAN £5K (Up to February 2025)
Reference No.	1444
Date of decision	Friday 25 July 2025
Call-in expiry date	Friday 1 August 2025
Relevant Select Committee	Corporate Resources and Infrastructure
Relevant Wards	N/A

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Councillor Martin Goddard, Cabinet Member for Finance and Transformation
Decision	Approved That the Cabinet Member for Finance & Transformation formally approves writing off £520,425.16 in respect of individual irrecoverable corporate debt as set out in the report.
Reason for decision	There is no possibility of recovering the debts for the reasons stated, and it would be uneconomical to undertake further action. The Cabinet Member is authorised constitutionally to write-off debt on individual cases between £5k and £50k.
Alternative options considered and rejected	In each debt case, write off is the last resort option and it is felt there is no prospect of recovering these debts. All possible alternative recovery action is attempted by the service area in accordance with the legislation that the debt type falls within. Further recovery attempts and therefore leaving the debt values within the Council's financial systems is the alternative option.
Classification	Part 2 - Members' Only and Not for Publication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 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.</i>

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Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Phil Hedges – Finance 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>5pm on Friday 1 August 2025</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>Scrutiny Call-In - Power Apps (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: democratic@hillingdon.gov.uk.</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> <p style="text-align: right;">Democratic Services London Borough of Hillingdon Civic Centre High Street Uxbridge UB8 1UW</p>