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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	Christmas Lights 2025
Reference No.	1528
Date of decision	16 September 2025
Call-in expiry date	SPECIAL URGENCY N/A – This decision comes into immediate effect
Relevant Select Committees	Residents' Services Select Committee
Relevant Ward	All

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	The Leader of the Council and on behalf of the Cabinet Member for Community & Environment
	APPROVED The Leader of the Council and on behalf of the Cabinet Member for Community & Environment: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Notes and welcomes the contribution of £130k received through sponsorship for the Christmas Lights 2025.2. Accept the tender from Event Power Engineering Limited for the provision of Christmas Lights in wards across the London Borough of Hillingdon for a one-year period from 15 September 2025 to 14 September 2026 and at the value of £95,110.3. Furthermore, agree that this includes the provision to extend the contract for a one + one year period, delegating approval of this to the Corporate Director of Residents Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Community & Environment, noting that the total contract value would be £190,220.4. Approves, for 2025, the total Christmas lights programme cost of £170,531 including displays and Christmas Trees and authorises the direct grant awards to the four community organisations as set

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	out in the report, who manage their lighting schemes directly.
Reason for decision	<p>The Leader of the Council agreed the festive lights programme for 2025, which included Diwali and Christmas.</p> <p>This decision included awarding the necessary contract following competitive tender, along with the displays, trees and award of grants to 4 local community organisations to manage their own Christmas lighting.</p> <p>The Leader welcomed the additional external sponsorship contribution that had been secured this year.</p> <p>Ultimately, this decision enabled the Council to continue to support the local community, high streets and businesses during the winter period, busy Christmas and festive period.</p>
Alternative options considered and rejected	These were set out in the confidential report.
Classification	Part II – Members’ Only and Not for Publication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 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>
Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Natasha Norton – Residents 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?	<p>This decision was taken under special urgency procedures in the Council Constitution and deemed urgent by the Leader of the Council.</p> <p>This report is being deemed urgent. The urgency arises from the tight time constraints to deliver the festive lighting programme for Diwali and Christmas 2025 on time, as the project is operating under a compressed timeline, impacted by the full tendering process and securing sponsorship funding.</p>

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	<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 Residents' Services 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@hillington.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>