

## 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	Finance Modernisation Programme Phase 2 Contract Award
Reference No.	1591
Date of decision	5 December 2025
Call-in expiry date	SPECIAL URGENCY
	N/A – This decision comes into immediate effect
Relevant Select	Corporate Resources & Infrastructure Select Committee
Committees	
Relevant Ward	All

## **Decision made**

Cabinet Members making the decision	The Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Finance & Transformation
	That the Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Finance & Transformation:  1. Approved the single tender from Grant Thornton UK LLP via the MCF4 Framework for the delivery of the Finance Capacity & Capability phase 2 implementation of the Finance Modernisation Programme to the London Borough of Hillingdon for
	<ul> <li>a 6-month period following approval, and at the estimated value of £746,850.</li> <li>2. Noted that there will be ancillary costs associated with the delivery of Phase 2 of the Finance Modernisation Programme including Finance Resources staffing as set out in the Financial Implications of this report.</li> </ul>
	3. Noted the previously approved Cabinet Member decision to accept a single tender from Grant Thornton UK LLP via the MCF3 Framework for the delivery of the modern finance processes and organisation phase of the Finance Modernisation Programme (phase 1) for a 7-month period starting April 2025 and at a cost of £733,650, and the request taken to 20 November 2025 Cabinet to support Oracle

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	improvements (part of phase 2 of the Finance Modernisation Programme) at a cost of £357,200.
Reason for decision	The Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Finance & Transformation approved the decisions outlined above. The Finance Modernisation Programme was critical to delivering a well-run, digitally enabled Council with strong financial management to achieve better outcomes for residents. With Phase 1 successfully completed, the urgent approval of Phase 2 ensured continuity of improvements, including Oracle enhancements, and embedded a modern finance function to support the 2026/27 budget and medium-term planning.
Alternative options considered and rejected	As set out in the confidential report.
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 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	Steve Muldoon, Corporate Director of Finance (S151 Officer)
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.
	The reason for the urgency is that this work is critical to the Council establishing a robust medium term financial strategy and budget for next year as well as supporting the ongoing audit process and the work must continue without delay.
	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 Corporate Resources & Infrastructure 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. 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 Directors, Officers and the Public. Copies are also placed on the Council's website.
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