



OFFICIAL EXECUTIVE DECISION NOTICE

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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	NEW ALLOCATION OF S106 CONTRIBUTIONS 2024/25: Carbon offset Fund – Carbon Reporting & Auditing
Reference No.	1214
Date of decision	Thursday 5 September 2024
Call-in expiry date	Thursday 12 September 2024
Relevant Select Committee	Residents' Services Select Committee
Relevant Wards	All

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Councillor Martin Goddard – Cabinet Member for Finance
Decision	Approved That the Cabinet Member for Finance approves that a total of £40,550 from the s106 carbon offset contribution held by the Council at EO/019/585A is allocated and used to fund Hillingdon's carbon reporting and auditing of CO2 sequestration from woodland.
Reason for decision	In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the allocation of Section 106 (s106) and Section 278 (s278) funds is required to be formally approved by the Cabinet Member for Finance on a case-by-case basis – and any capital release, in conjunction with the relevant Cabinet portfolio holder. This report requests the approval for the s106 funds held at the case references detailed in this report to be committed as outlined in this report.
Alternative options considered and rejected	The Cabinet Members may agree to fund the scheme and / or suggest alternative projects to which funds could be allocated within the terms of the relevant legal agreements. The Council collects Carbon Section 106 funds for projects for those identified in this proposal. The Council has adopted a carbon offset Guidance Note that allows for the use of S106 funding to be used to calculate and report on its carbon footprint. Should S106 not be used for this, then firstly the Council would have to revert to the general fund and secondly, would still have to find similar carbon saving projects to ensure compliance with the legal obligations of the fund. If the s106 funds are not allocated to an appropriate scheme, the unspent funds may need to be refunded.

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Classification	Part I – Public
Link to associated report	Here
Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Nicola Wyatt - Central Services Ian Thynne - Central Services
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 Thursday 12 September 2024</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>
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