



# 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:

<b>Title of decision</b>	<b>Rough Sleeping Prevention and Recovery Services 2025/26</b>
<b>Reference No.</b>	1383
<b>Date of decision</b>	Wednesday 9 April 2025
<b>Call-in expiry date</b>	Wednesday 16 April 2025
<b>Relevant Select Committee</b>	Residents' Services Committee.
<b>Relevant Wards</b>	N/A

### Decision made

<b>Cabinet Members making the decision</b>	Councillor Ian Edwards - Leader of the Council Councillor Steve Tuckwell - Cabinet Member for Planning, Housing & Growth
<b>Decision</b>	<b>Approved</b> <p><b>That the Leader of the Council, in conjunction with the Cabinet Member for Planning, Housing &amp; Growth agreed to:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) <b>Noted the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government grant of £1,941,407 for rough sleeping prevention and recovery.</b></li><li>2) <b>Extend the existing provision of First Stage Accommodation at Olympic House to Trinity Homeless Projects from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 at a value of £331,576.</b></li><li>3) <b>A single tender action for the continued provision of a referral service for up to 50 people to Trinity Homeless Projects from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 at a value of £50,000.</b></li><li>4) <b>A contract extension for the provision of night-time services and support which supports rough sleepers at Heathrow Airport from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 at a value of £75,000.</b></li></ol>

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	<p>5) A contract extension for an independent crisis social work service which supports rough sleepers at Heathrow Airport from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 during working hours, at a value of £80,907.</p> <p>6) A contract extension for the provision of a floating support service to Trinity Homeless Projects from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 at a value of £129,000.</p> <p>7) A contract extension for the provision of an Outreach/In-Reach Service for Rough Sleepers to Thames Reach Charity from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 and at a value of £349,713.</p>
<b>Reason for decision</b>	<p>The year's award will allow Hillingdon Council to build on the existing prevention and support for Rough Sleepers and to continue collaborative working practices with the voluntary sector to secure further support to deliver on the target outcomes of this funding.</p> <p>The services being commissioned are to support vulnerable residents and are in line with Hillingdon's recently approved temporary accommodation strategy to reduce levels of homelessness by providing support to access settled accommodation.</p> <p>The award allows Hillingdon to continue with providers where the Council has an established relationship to provide ongoing embedded services to address and prevent rough sleeping in the Borough, to deliver improved life chances for those at risk of homelessness and / or rough sleeping.</p>
<b>Alternative options considered and rejected</b>	<p>One alternative to current practice would be to bring the service inhouse and operate this from within the Housing Needs service. This would increase costs, would not be feasible based on current inhouse resources and require bespoke additional training rather than bespoke services who already work within this remit. Charities are also proven to have better engagement with complex and entrenched rough sleeping cohorts and thus the same measure of success with 'Council' staff may not be achieved.</p>

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	<p>The confirmation of grant funding from MHCLG was not announced until December 2024, and therefore there was insufficient time to tender for the coming financial year. However, in anticipation of a three-year funding allocation, and to ensure best value for money, officers will tender during 2025/26 to create options for contracts with providers for next year and the future 5 years as MHCLG develop proposals for how funding will be allocated from 2026/27. Any final award of contracts will be subject to confirmation of grant funding from MHCLG and approval by Cabinet.</p>
<b>Classification</b>	Part 2 - Members' Only and Not for Publication
<b>Link to associated report</b>	<b>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.</b>
<b>Relevant Officer contact &amp; Directorate</b>	Susanne Carter-Penrose, Homes and Communities
<b>Any interest declared by the Cabinet Member(s) / dispensation granted</b>	N/A

### Implementation of decision & scrutiny call-in

<b>[Internal Use only]</b>	
<b>When can this decision be implemented by officers?</b>	<p>Officers can implement Cabinet Member decision in this notice only from the expiry of the scrutiny call-in period which is:</p> <p><b>5pm on Wednesday 16 April 2025</b></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>
<b>Councillor scrutiny call-in of this decision</b>	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.

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	<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><b><a href="#">Scrutiny Call-In - Power Apps</a></b> (secure)</p>
<b>Further information</b>	<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: <a href="mailto:democratic@hillingdon.gov.uk">democratic@hillingdon.gov.uk</a>.</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;"><b>Democratic Services London Borough of Hillingdon Civic Centre High Street Uxbridge UB8 1UW</b></p>