



**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>CAPITAL RELEASE REPORT SEPTEMBER 2025/26</b> <b>DEPARTMENT: Children's Services</b> <b>SERVICE AREA/ PROGRAMME: Early Years &amp; Childcare Wraparound Expansion Programme</b> <b>RELEASE NO: 2</b>
<b>Reference No.</b>	1527
<b>Date of decision</b>	Friday 26 September 2025
<b>Call-in expiry date</b>	Friday 03 October 2025
<b>Relevant Select Committee</b>	Children, Families & Education Select Committee
<b>Relevant Wards</b>	All Wards

**Decision made**

<b>Cabinet Members making the decision</b>	Councillor Susan O'Brien, Cabinet Member for Children, Families & Education Councillor Martin Goddard, Cabinet Member for Finance & Transformation
<b>Decision</b>	<b>Approved</b>  That the Cabinet Member for Finance & Transformation, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children, Families & Education:  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) approved the capital release request of £480k for the Early Years &amp; Childcare Wraparound Expansion Programme funded by the Department of Education grant to support the expansion of the provision for early years and wraparound services (Appendix A of the associated report); and</li><li>2) agreed to delegate authority to the Director of Education &amp; SEND to determine individual awards to providers following receipt of expressions of interest for 2025/26 within the approved budget, and for subsequent years should the same or similar fully funded Government initiative continue.</li></ol>
<b>Reason for decision</b>	This request is to enable Hillingdon education providers to provide wraparound and extended early years childcare as recommended by the DfE.  This is to help ensure sufficient places for:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children taking up an early years place through the expanded 30-hours entitlement for qualifying working parents;</li> <li>• Increasing the supply of wraparound childcare for primary-school aged children.</li> </ul> <p>This is part of the Government's broader strategy to improve access to childcare, support working families, and promote child development.</p>
<b>Alternative options considered and rejected</b>	No alternative options are available as this is a required provision set out by the DfE.
<b>Classification</b>	Part I – Public
<b>Link to associated report</b>	<a href="#">Here</a>
<b>Relevant Officer contact &amp; Directorate</b>	Lisa Swales – Children's Services
<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 Friday 03 October 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>	<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><b><a href="#">Scrutiny Call-In - Power Apps</a> (secure)</b></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>
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