



**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 ALLOCATIONS FOR THE WARD BUDGET SCHEME (MARCH 2026)
Reference No.	2026/1668
Date of decision	Thursday 09 April 2026
Call-in expiry date	This decision comes into immediate effect
Relevant Select Committee	Residents' Services Select Committee
Relevant Wards	Colham & Cowley, Ickenham & South Harefield, Northwood, Northwood Hills, Ruislip, Uxbridge, Wood End

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Councillor Wayne Bridges, Cabinet Member for Community & Environment																							
Decision	<p>Agreed</p> <p>1. That the Cabinet Member for Community & Environment approved the allocation of £15,546 from the Ward Budget Scheme for the following proposals:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Ward</th> <th>Grant Recipient</th> <th>Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Colham & Cowley</td> <td>Pollarding of Lime Trees Along Public Footpath at St John the Baptist Church</td> <td>£500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ickenham & South Harefield</td> <td>To maintain the two planters in Ickenham until Summer 2026</td> <td>£1,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Northwood</td> <td>To contribute towards the redevelopment of the library at Holy Trinity School</td> <td>£1,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Northwood</td> <td>Community Engagement and Learning Initiatives at Northwood Library</td> <td>£500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Northwood</td> <td>Christmas Activities and Outings for Isolated Older Residents of MHA Communities West London</td> <td>£725</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Northwood Hills</td> <td>Installation of Two Commemorative Benches at Northwood Hills Health Centre</td> <td>£1,795</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Ward	Grant Recipient	Amount	Colham & Cowley	Pollarding of Lime Trees Along Public Footpath at St John the Baptist Church	£500	Ickenham & South Harefield	To maintain the two planters in Ickenham until Summer 2026	£1,500	Northwood	To contribute towards the redevelopment of the library at Holy Trinity School	£1,500	Northwood	Community Engagement and Learning Initiatives at Northwood Library	£500	Northwood	Christmas Activities and Outings for Isolated Older Residents of MHA Communities West London	£725	Northwood Hills	Installation of Two Commemorative Benches at Northwood Hills Health Centre	£1,795
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	Northwood Hills	Northwood Hills Christmas Lights Switch-On Event	£2,884
	Ruislip	Purchase of Football Equipment for Ruislip Rangers Youth Football Club	£500
	Ruislip	Retention of the 3 planters in Ruislip High Street	£740
	Ruislip	Improvement of Early Years Outdoor Area at Bishop Winnington-Ingram School	£500
	Ruislip	Purchase of Marquee Tent for 2nd and 9th Ruislip Scout Group	£500
	Ruislip	Contribution Towards Purchase of Pool Table for Ruislip Baptist Church Youth Groups	£700
	Ruislip	Replacement Drinking Water Fountain at the 1 st and 3 rd Ruislip Scout Group	£500
	Ruislip	Furniture for Reading Shed at Whiteheath Infant and Nursery School	£500
	Ruislip	Purchase of Trolley for Safe Storage and Movement of Tables at St Martin's Church Hall	£302
	Ruislip	Ruislip Christmas Lights Switch-On Event	£400
	Uxbridge	Purchase of Refrigerator and Microwave for St Margaret's Church Community	£1,000
	Wood End	Purchase of Children's Bowls Kit for Rosedale Bowls Club	£500
	TOTAL for Recommendation 1		£15,546
	<p>2. That the Cabinet Member for Community and Environment noted the allocation of £31,611 from the unallocated Ward Budget Scheme for the following proposals:</p>		
	Hayes Town	Hayes & Harlington Clock Lighting Unit repair	£2,290
	Borough Wide	To supply and install 218 Battle of Britain banners across the borough at £134.50 each	£29,321
	TOTAL for Recommendation 2		£31,611

	3. Noted the changes of the spend allowance to all wards.
Reason for decision	<p>The Ward Budget Scheme enables Councillors, with their local knowledge and insight, to submit proposals for expenditure, supporting local priorities using their specific ward allocation. Each of the proposals submitted complies with the protocol on the use of Ward Budgets.</p> <p>As there was an unallocated budget of £46,263, within the four-year allocation period ending in May 2026, the previous Cabinet Member, Councillor Lavery, authorised expenditure of £2,290. This decision was made because the Hayes Town budget did not have sufficient funds to cover the cost.</p> <p>The same unallocated budget was subsequently utilised, following approval from the Leader and former Cabinet Member Councillor Lavery, to allocate £29,321 for the installation commemorating the 85th anniversary of the Battle of Britain.</p> <p>On 30 September 2025, the Leader introduced a spending cap of £2,000 for all wards. Any ward budgets exceeding this limit were adjusted down to £2,000, and the surplus funds were no longer available for use. The impact of this measure is detailed in Appendix B, with the total retained reserves amounting to £41,019.</p>
Alternative options considered and rejected	None.
Classification	Part I – Public
Link to associated report	Here
Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Natasha Norton – Residents Services
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?	Officers can implement Cabinet Member decision in this notice only from the expiry of the scrutiny call-in period which is: This decision comes into immediate effect.
Councillor scrutiny call-in of this decision	N/A

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> <p style="text-align: right;">Democratic Services London Borough of Hillingdon Civic Centre High Street Uxbridge UB8 1UW</p>
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