



## 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:

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| <b>Title of decision</b>         | <b>Afghan Resettlement Support</b>                    |
| <b>Reference No.</b>             | 2026/1739                                             |
| <b>Date of decision</b>          | Wednesday 5 August 2026                               |
| <b>Call-in expiry date</b>       | Wednesday 12 August 2026                              |
| <b>Relevant Select Committee</b> | Children, Families, Health and Care Select Committee. |
| <b>Relevant Wards</b>            | All                                                   |

### Decision made

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| <b>Cabinet Members making the decision</b> | Councillor Steve Tuckwell – Leader of the Council<br>Councillor Susan O'Brien – Cabinet Member for Adults, Children, Health & Care                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Decision</b>                            | <b>Agreed</b><br><br>That the Leader of the Council, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adults, Children, Health & Care:<br><br><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Approved the direct award to Trinity Homeless Projects for the provision of Resettlement Support Services for the London Borough of Hillingdon for an initial 2-year period, from 1 August 2026 to 31 July 2028, at a total value of £200,000.</li><li>2. Agreed the option to extend the contract for a further 1 year, delegating authority to the Corporate Director of Resident Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adults, Children, Health &amp; Care at a cost of £100,000 per annum.</li></ol> |
| <b>Reason for decision</b>                 | To ensure continued compliance with grant conditions associated with Government resettlement schemes. The service is fully funded through Government grant funding and has no direct financial impact on Council resources.<br><br>To maintain continuity of a vital service that supports residents under resettlement programmes and contributes to social value.<br><br>To deliver cost efficiency through a single provider model. Trinity Homeless Projects offers specialist expertise,                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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|                                                                              | including staff who can communicate in relevant community languages, avoiding additional costs that would otherwise be incurred through subcontracted translation service.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Alternative options considered and rejected</b>                           | <p>Option A - Competitive Tender Process - this option was considered but deemed unsuitable due to the specialist nature of the service currently delivered by Trinity Homeless Projects. The provider has developed significant local knowledge, alongside strong and trusted relationships with resettled communities over a number of years.</p> <p>Option B - Continue to deliver in-house delivery model - this option did not represent best value for money and was rejected.</p>                         |
| <b>Classification</b>                                                        | Part II – Members Only and Not for Publication                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Link to associated report</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>Relevant Officer contact &amp; Directorate</b>                            | Tracie Bushell, Residents 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>                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| <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 12 August 2026</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><a href="#">Scrutiny Call-In - Power Apps</a> (secure)</p>             |

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| <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<br/>London Borough of Hillingdon<br/>Civic Centre<br/>High Street<br/>Uxbridge<br/>UB8 1UW</b></p> |
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