

DECISION NOTICE OF THE Cabinet Member Signing HELD ON Monday, 9th March, 2026, 16:00 – 16:15.

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of Cabinet Member Signing held on Monday, 9 March 2026.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Richard Plummer Committees Manager.

6. HORNSEY LIBRARY

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR THIS ITEM:

None

That the Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure **RESOLVED:**

3.1 For the Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure, pursuant to Contract Standing Orders 0.08 and 2.01(b) to:

3.2 Approved the commencement of a procurement exercise for a construction works contractor to deliver remediation works to the roof at Hornsey Library.

Reasons for decision

Structural surveys have confirmed the presence of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) within the ceiling/roof areas of double-height atrium located in the western side of Hornsey Library.

This area comprises the main library space for the building. After completing these further surveys, it was recommended that the area below the RAAC panels should be taken out of use immediately, due to significant safety concerns. To enable continued use a scaffold crash deck has been installed to protect members of the public and staff.

It is proposed to procure a contractor to undertake remediation works as outlined in 6.9 of this report on a single-stage, JCT traditional form of contract using the London Construction Programme Education Framework or DPS. Soft market engagement has been undertaken to ascertain interest and availability within the market, with positive feedback of the proposed approach.

Alternative options considered

Do nothing - The Council could decide to not tender the scheme. This option has been discounted as it is not in the Council's interest to be responsible for a structurally unsound roof. Neither is it financially responsible for the Council to carry the ongoing weekly hire cost of the scaffold which forms the crash deck.

In-house – There is currently no resource within the Council that has the capacity, specialist expertise or qualifications to deliver this service.

Invite open tenders via Contracts Finder. This would result in a protracted tender period and would delay delivery of the project.

Use an alternative public sector DPS. This would not be compliant with CSO 8.02, given the LCP Framework or DPS has been deemed suitable for the requirements being sought.

8. HORNSEY LIBRARY EXEMPT

The Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure considered and approved the exempt information.