

London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham Record of Cabinet Member Decision

The call-in has expired and the decision below can be implemented .

- ❖ Draft Decision List published on: 19 July 2021
- ❖ Confirmed Decision List published on: 22 July 2021

1. **TITLE: E-Scooter Trial**

2. **DECISION MADE BY:** Cabinet Member for the Environment

3. **DECISION:**

1. To agree to participate in the Pan-London e-scooter trial that would enable three selected rental e-scooter companies to operate in LBHF using designated parking spaces for a period of up to 12-months, with the option to extend by a further 6 months.
2. To delegate authority to the Chief Officer for Public Realm to:
 - Make the necessary traffic orders and arrangements (including agreeing terms and conditions and granting licenses to each selected operator) to introduce the pilot scheme, end the scheme, or extend the pilot as appropriate in accordance with the contract and licence terms; and
 - In consultation with the Cabinet Member for the Environment and the Strategic Director for the Environment, approve the scheme on a permanent basis across the Borough depending upon the outcome of the pilot scheme and final legal position; with regard to the status and use of e-scooters following consultation with the DfT.

4. **REASON FOR DECISION:**

1. To better understand if and how these vehicles can be safely accommodated on both Hammersmith and Fulham and London's Streets, by collecting a robust evidence base on safety and other impacts caused or related to e-scooter use.
2. To respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and to allow for the Government's advice for social distancing and safe travel on public transport by increasing alternative transport options i.e. e-scooters can ease capacity constraints on public transport, help to alleviate congestion on local road networks and support sustainable and affordable local journeys.
3. Will help to assess whether e-scooters should be legalised in the UK as part

of the wider long-term policy review by the Government.

5. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

As described in the report.

6. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND DISPENSATIONS GRANTED:**

None

Date of Decision
18 July 2021