

Introduction of Article 4 Direction for Houses of Multiple Occupation

Corrections to the submitted report:

Under the Executive Summary (4th para):

Informed by the evidence presented in this report the preferred option (as recommended) is to introduce a Non-Immediate Article 4 Direction on Houses of Multiple Occupation that will be implemented borough-wide. If this is agreed by Cabinet, a period of consultation from 29 September to 9 November 2025 for 6 weeks will take place, after which the ~~Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods~~ will the consultation feedback will be brought back to Cabinet at the earliest opportunity to then consider whether to confirm the Direction and bring it into effect on 1 January 2026, having considered all consultation comments received.

Under section 2 (para 2.25):

~~The Cabinet report will also recommend that delegated authority is granted to the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods to~~ Cabinet will then consider the outcome of the consultation and thereafter ~~to determine~~ if the Article 4 Direction should be confirmed and come into effect (see below).

Under section 5 (para 5.1):

A period of consultation, commencing 29 September to 9 November 2025 for 6 weeks is proposed. Following this the ~~Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods~~ will then consider whether to confirm the Direction and bring it into effect on 1 January 2026, having considered all consultation comments received.

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