

Dates (if known)	Department / Representation	Destination	Purpose of Visit	Type of Visit / Costings Info	Birmingham City Council Corporate Plan Priorities 2022-2026 (Proposed)
16-18 February 2024	Councillor Chaman Lal Finance & Governance Lord Mayor Lady Mayoress, Vidya Wati Lord Mayor's Office - 1 Officer Places, Prosperity & Sustainability Directorate - 1 Officer	Co. Clare, Ireland	<b>Civic Visit to County Clare, Ireland</b>  The Mayor of Clare has extended an invitation to the Lord Mayor of Birmingham to undertake a visit to the County to explore where deeper connections can be built between the two regions on a variety of footprints from trade/investment to education and culture.	Total travel and accommodation costs are fully funded by County Clare, Ireland	Employment, skills and local economy • Support inclusive economic growth • Tackle unemployment and skills • Attract inward investment and infrastructure
19-23 February 2024	Public Health, Partnerships, Insight and Prevention Directorate – 1 Officer seconded from the Healthy Futures Ltd in the role of Cross Cutting Theme Manager for Nutrition in the Food Trails project.	Funchal, Portugal	<b>EU Funding Project: Food Trails Project Visit</b>  Birmingham is one of 11 cities participating in the EU funded Horizon 2020 project <a href="https://eurocities.eu/projects/food-trails/">https://eurocities.eu/projects/food-trails/</a>  Birmingham has been identified as the nutrition theme lead and will be supporting all 11 cities to implement their pilots.  •The aim of the Horizon 2020 Food Trails project is to support policy changes which will reform individual cities' food systems, including supporting cities to improve the nutrition of its citizens, reduce food miles (reduce carbon output), promote circularity such as reducing food waste, involving the citizens in new approaches.  •Visits rather than virtual meetings take place as Cross Cutting Theme Managers (CCM's) are expected to provide support to pilot activities and stakeholders. Pilot activities include community development projects with little/no digital access. •Following the trip a report will be produced to incorporate into a final report. •Lessons learnt will be shared with the Birmingham Food Systems Team through Food Trails meetings. •The cost for this trip is fully funded by the Horizon 2020 Food Trails project.	EU FUNDED PROJECT - All expenses paid for by project	Employment, skills and local economy • Support inclusive economic growth • Tackle unemployment and skills • Attract inward investment and infrastructure  Opportunities for children and young people • Tackle poverty and inequalities • Empower citizens and enable the citizen voice  Health and Wellbeing • Tackle Health Inequalities • Encourage and enable physical activity and healthy living
26-29 February 2024	European and International Affairs, Places, Prosperity & Sustainability Directorate - 1 Officer & Public Health, Partnerships, Insight and Prevention Directorate – 1 Officer & East Birmingham Programme, Places, Prosperity & Sustainability Directorate - 1 Officer Public Health, Partnerships, Insight and Prevention Directorate – 1 Officer seconded from the Healthy Futures Ltd in the role of Cross Cutting Theme Manager for Nutrition in the Food Trails project.	Warsaw, Poland	<b>EU Funding Project: Food Trails Project Visit</b>  This purpose of this visit is to learn from Warsaw good practice including a farm co-operative using regenerative farm practices in an urban context, how businesses are supported to reduce food waste, how Warsaw transformed its food economy creating a non-obesogenic environment, a procurement methodology to support innovative food businesses. Additionally, we will learn about the Boost Programme, the business incubator for food businesses that Warsaw successfully implemented in the recent years transforming the city into a capital of healthy eating and sustainability. Learning from this project will inform business support programmes funded by the UK SPF and a joint proposal currently being developed with the Aston University  These practices are of direct relevance to the three pilot actions that are being funded through the Birmingham Food Trails Living Lab and include: •Nutrition pilot 'Full of Beans' •Feasibility study to transform spaces in Birmingham in urban growing/distribution hub •Food waste separation pilot including composting and growing.  Learning from Warsaw will be embedded into the above activities.  •Visits rather than virtual meetings take place as Cross Cutting Theme Managers (CCM's) are expected to provide support to pilot activities and stakeholders. Pilot activities include community development projects with little/no digital access. •Following the trip a report will be produced to incorporate into a final report. •Lessons learnt will be shared with the Birmingham Food Systems Team through Food Trails meetings. •The cost for this trip is fully funded by the Horizon 2020 Food Trails project.	EU FUNDED PROJECT - All expenses paid for by project	Employment, skills and local economy • Support inclusive economic growth • Tackle unemployment and skills • Attract inward investment and infrastructure  Opportunities for children and young people • Tackle poverty and inequalities • Empower citizens and enable the citizen voice  Health and Wellbeing • Tackle Health Inequalities • Encourage and enable physical activity and healthy living

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