

Birmingham City Council

S151 Spending Control Board Decisions

Directorate: City Operations

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Subject	Section 151 Spending Control Board Decisions
Authorising Officer	Fiona Greenway, S151 Officer
Directorate	City Operations
Dates covered	23 – 29 March 2024

The Council is prevented, without explicit agreement of the Section 151 Officer, from entering into any new agreement or commitment for expenditure until Full Council has met to consider the Section 114 report. These controls may be re-applied after the date of this Full Council meeting.

The existing scheme of Financial Delegation is superseded by the S114 notice. Only the Section 151 Officer can sign off new spend. This applies to new spend of any value.

Relative to existing spending controls in place across the organisation, this means that Directorate Spending Boards (and the Finance Governance Board) do not have the authority to approve new spending. These Boards can recommend spending to the Section 151 Officer only – to be approved via the S151 Spend Control Board.

The spend decisions captured within this document outline the discussions and conclusions made via the S151 Spend Control Board.

Decisions

ID	Title of Spend Request	S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Date of S151 Spend Control Board	Assistant Director or Director	Amount requested	Notes
5239	871 CAT 2 Dartmouth Middleway LSRMS (Large Surface Routine Maintenance Scheme) 24/25 budget	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 56,000.00	Approved - Ringfenced funding
5240	861 Oakfield Road LSRMS (Large Surface Routine Maintenance Scheme) 24-25 budget	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 36,000.00	Approved - Ringfenced funding
5267	860 Hawthorne Road LSRMS (Large Surface Routine Maintenance Scheme) 24-25 budget	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 45,000.00	Approved - Ringfenced funding
5345	Emergency Health and Safety spend request. Repair to wall after RTA (road traffic accident) - Lickey Hills Country Park Rose and Crown Entrance	Approve	26/03/2024	Craig Cooper	£ 3,172.00	Approved - Health and Safety

5347	Emergency Health and Safety. Repair to length of railing after RTA (road traffic accident) - Lickey Hills Country Park Rose Hill Road - separate request to 5345	Approve	26/03/2024	Craig Cooper	£ 6,454.00	Approved - Health and Safety
5435	Replacement Uniform / Equipment for School Crossing Patrol Posts	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 297.85	Approved - Health and Safety
5541	Billesley Common replacement of damaged footbridges - grant funded	Approve	26/03/2024	Andy Vaughan	£ 7,200.00	Approved - Health and Safety
5561	Parks Service – Padlocks bulk buy: service wide request	Approve	26/03/2024	Andy Vaughan	£ 2,000.00	Approved - Security / Protection of assets
5572	Scribers Lane POS flood damaged path	Approve	26/03/2024	Andy Vaughan	£ 3,500.00	Approved - Health and Safety
5577	Senneleys Park boundary fencing repairs	Approve	26/03/2024	Andy Vaughan	£ 3,800.00	Approved - Protection of assets / Legal responsibility
5642	Damaged Gate and Fencing - Brookvale Park	Approve	26/03/2024	Andy Vaughan	£ 1,812.00	Approved - Security / Protection of assets

5644	Repair Trip Rail - Hyperion Road, Bromford	Approve	26/03/2024	Andy Vaughan	£ 522.00	Approved - Protection of council assets / To prevent ASB encroachments
5695	Failed Post and Rail Fencing - Queslett NR	Approve	26/03/2024	Andy Vaughan	£ 1,365.00	Approved - Health and Safety / Public Liability
5713	Damage to Hire Vehicles	Approve	27/03/2024	Andy Vaughan	£ 500,000.00	Approved - Contractually liable
5742	Performance Reporting Support (6 months, to commence ASAP but likely to be from April 2024)	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 152,000.00	Approved - Supports transformation / Delivery of savings
5790	Emptying Cess-Pit - Perry Hall Playing Fields	Approve	26/03/2024	Andy Vaughan	£ 2,125.00	Approved - Health and safety / Environmental health
5792	Emergency Repairs Pothole Repairs to the road system at Sutton Park - Phase 2 - To commence April 2024	Approve	26/03/2024	Andy Vaughan	£ 12,000.00	Approved - Health and safety / Minimise legal liability risk
5862	Change of Material 293 - Additional Cost on Material only, 24/25 budget	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 600.00	Approved - Health and Safety
5895	Task Order 856 LSRMS Sheffield Road – 24/25 budget	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 71,500.00	Approved - Ringfenced funding
5898	Task Order 855 LSRMS Jiggins Lane - 24/25 budget	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 39,000.00	Approved - Ringfenced funding

5900	Task Order 613 - Parapet Repairs Aston Church - 24/25 budget	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 700.00	Approved - Health and Safety
5908	URGENT: Highways Interim Services Extension - 1st June to 31st July2024	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 16,000,000.00	Approved - Statutory responsibility
5933	Saltley WBC AstroTurf Replacement - External Funding	Approve	26/03/2024	Chris Jordan	£ 250,000.00	Approved - Grant funded
5944	Environmental Health: ELT: Provision of a Fixed Penalty Enforcement Service to tackle littering etc (2024/2025)	Approve	27/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 461,700.00	Approved - EH Income generation
5945	Replacement mobile phone: Samsung A33 (Enterprise Edition)	Approve	26/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 278.50	Approved - Essential Service delivery
5960	Birmingham Council House (Big Brum) – March & November FY24/25 Time Change and Clock Servicing - Smith of Derby	Approve	26/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 2,133.00	Approved - Essential change
6020	Purchase of CWG's artwork for city collection funded by external source	Approve	26/03/2024	Chris Jordan	£ 250.00	Approved - Grant funded
6065	Bereavement Services - Cemetery Grave Tending	Approve	27/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 4,000.00	Approved - Contractual requirement

6068	Bereavement Services - Allday Time Systems - Clock machines - end of financial year 2024/25	Approve	27/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 10,000.00	Approved - Health and Safety / Staff time recording
6073	Streetworks Coring Programme 24/25	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 420,000.00	Approved - Income generating
6077	Street Manager Software	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 22,500.00	Approved - Statutory requirement
6090	Spend approval to purchase 2 x water fountain filters	Approve	26/03/2024	Chris Jordan	£ 70.00	Approved - Health and safety
6094	Public Lighting Replacement Programme 2024 - Luminaire Replacements - Materials and installation - 2024/25 budget	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 1,185,700.00	Approved - Mitigating risk
6095	Public Lighting Replacement Programme 2024 - Full Column Replacements Ph1 - 24-25 budget	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 545,412.00	Approved - Mitigating risk
6096	Pest Control: Puncture repairs/replacement tyres 24/25	Approve	27/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 4,000.00	Approved - Health and Safety
6103	Uplift for previous approved 2635 - refund of authorised parking fees and cancelled season tickets	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 1,000.00	Approved - Contractual requirement
6121	Task order 885 LSRMS Sutton New Road - Decision required 24/25 budget	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 64,000.00	Approved - Ringfenced funding

6139	Birmingham & Solihull Coroners Court Heating and Ventilation Controls project Report	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 5,769.19	Approved - Essential plant assessment / Health and safety
6162	Guidance/Legalisation subscriptions	Approve	26/03/2024	Chris Jordan	£ 145.00	Approved - Safe service delivery
6165	Procurement - Security Contract Waiver	Approve	26/03/2024	Chris Jordan	£ 100,000.00	Approved - Health and safety / Contractual obligation
6190	Payment of outstanding invoices Nechells Wellbeing Centre portable air con units	Approve	26/03/2024	Chris Jordan	£ 400.64	Approved - Services already received
6196	Parking Services - agency staff costs - up to end of March 2025	Approve	28/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 172,000.00	Approved - Parking enforcement
6220	Competition for a couple to win a ceremony at Birmingham Register Office	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 386.00	Approved - Income generation
6251	Brandwood End Cemetery - Road Repairs	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 6,344.11	Approved - Health and safety
6252	Environmental Health WEU: Mobile phone handset replacement	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 352.00	Approved - Health and safety
6271	Printing and Postage of Statutory Documents	Approve	27/03/2024	Mark Shelswell	£ 1,238,988.00	Approved - Enforcement / Income generation

6281	Markets sprinkler system and fire pump service inspection	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 1,950.00	Approved - Statutory requirement
6283	Waste truck Rental costs - Markets Service	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 5,465.00	Approved - Health and safety / Statutory obligation
6286	Cash collection costs at Birmingham markets April-September 24	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 880.00	Approved - Essential to service delivery
6287	Indoor Market Compactor Hire April-June 24	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 1,456.00	Approved - Essential services / Statutory obligation
6288	Rental/Maintenance cost for Footfall Monitoring System (annual)	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 4,865.00	Approved - Recovered through service charges
6289	Markets Fire Alarm System April-September 24	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 2,617.00	Approved - Health and safety / Contractual obligation
6291	Markets Public Address System Maintenance April-September 24	Approve	28/03/2024	Sajeela Naseer	£ 1,282.00	Approved - Health and safety