

Birmingham City Council

S151 Spending Control Board Decisions

Directorate: Council Management

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| Subject | Section 151 Spending Control Board Decisions |
| Authorising Officer | Fiona Greenway, S151 Officer |
| Directorate | Council Management |
| Dates covered | 13 – 19 April 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The existing scheme of Financial Delegation is superseded by the S114 notice.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 |
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| 6386 | Provision of Washroom Services | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Steve Sandercock | £ 2,200,000.00 | Approved - Health and safety |
| 6444 | Technical conference train tickets | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Tim Savill | £ 130.00 | Approved - Essential travel |
| 6445 | Revenues Training Costs | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Tim Savill | £ 31,200.00 | Approved - Training to support statutory compliance |
| 6463 | Environmental Health: Contract extension for Airviro | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Cheryl Doran | £ 7,460.00 | Approved - CAZ Funded |
| 6596 | Browserstack Automate License | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Cheryl Doran | £ 2,388.00 | Approved - Service efficiency |
| 6612 | Payment due to Government for NNDR3 Outturn Adjustments for 2022-23 | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Fiona Greenway | £ 1,894,270.00 | Approved - Statutory requirement |
| 6613 | Oracle Fusion PaaS Overage Costs | Approve | 19/04/2024 | Fiona Greenway | £ 58,593.42 | Approved - Essential works / financial recovery requirement |

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| 6620 | Internal Audit - Corporate / Application Fraud Investigation Expenditure 2024/25 | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Fiona Greenway | £ 15,000.00 | Approved - Enforcement against fraud |
| 6621 | Internal Audit - Investigation Legal Fees 2024/25 | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Fiona Greenway | £ 20,000.00 | Approved - Enforcement against fraud |
| 6635 | Purchase a privacy screen for laptop | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Steve Sandercock | £ 18.60 | Approved - Essential to work |
| 6642 | Internal Audit - New Procurement Legislation Training | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Fiona Greenway | £ 235.00 | Approved - To support compliance and savings delivery |
| 6643 | Revs - CICM Enforcement Qualification | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Tim Savill | £ 488.00 | Approved - To support enforcement |
| 6648 | Essential stationary | Approve | 16/04/2024 | Alison Jarrett | £ 114.00 | Approved - Service delivery |
| 6695 | Toilet rolls, centre feed wipers, sink plunger, air fresheners | Approve | 17/04/2024 | Alison Jarrett | £ 143.12 | Approved - Health and Safety |
| 6726 | Red Hat Linux licence Renewal | Approve | 17/04/2024 | Cheryl Doran | £ 80,000.00 | Approved - Service delivery |

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| 6754 | Physiotherapy 24LR08042024 and 25UG11042024 | Approve | 17/04/2024 | Katy Fox | £ 939.00 | Approved - Health and Safety / Wellbeing |
| 6756 | Final Employee Assistance Payment to Pluxee (agreed to by previous spend control) | Approve | 17/04/2024 | Katy Fox | £ 8,561.53 | Approved - Contractual commitment |
| 6767 | LRQA audit updated costs | Approve | 17/04/2024 | Alison Jarrett | £ 1,220.00 | Approved - Essential for income generation |
| 6768 | DocketHub Downstream Access Portal | Approve | 19/04/2024 | Cheryl Doran | £ 10,000.00 | Approved - Essential for service delivery |
| 6820 | Extension of Diagonus Limited contract | Approve | 19/04/2024 | Marie Rosenthal | £ 350,000.00 | Approved - Stops position getting worse |
| 6826 | Envelopes for return documents | Approve | 19/04/2024 | Tim Savill | £ 306.38 | Approved - Service delivery |