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Dear Elena

Enterprise Zone Project Delivery Funding – Southside Public Realm

Following the findings of the independent technical evaluation and approval by the GBSLEP Programme Delivery Board on 3 February 2021, this letter confirms that your request for Enterprise Zone funding has received approval. This approval is based on the evidence provided in the Full Business Case submitted on 21 December 2020. This letter is to confirm that approval.

As part of the approval, the Southside Public Realm project has been allocated a maximum funding contribution of up to **£8,032,847** (eight million thirty-two thousand eight hundred and forty-seven pounds) of Enterprise Zone (EZ) funding towards a total project cost of £9,527,550. This is in addition to the previously awarded £691,702 for the development of the Full Business Case. The funding will be paid as capital grant in accordance with the GBSLEP Assurance Framework process. Birmingham City Council as the grant recipient, is solely responsible for meeting any expenditure over this maximum amount.

This capital grant funding is subject to the satisfactory approval of the project by the GBSLEP Supervisory Board; this is anticipated within two weeks of this letter.

The award of £8,032,847 will be provided under the terms and conditions detailed in the Service Level Agreement (SLA), by separate cover. Acceptance by Birmingham City Council of the award is acceptance of those terms and conditions.

Outputs

The SLA will also highlight the outputs and outcomes proposed in your approved Full Business Case and the monitoring and evaluation period proposed. These can be summarised as:

Output Description	Output Quantity
Road Resurfaced	2,249 m ²
Footpath Resurfaced	6,397 m ²
New Pedestrian Crossings	294 m ²
New Cycleway/Cycle Lane	234 m ² (132/102)
Street Furniture	16 no. Structural Lighting Columns 14 no. Trees Planted

Table 1.0 Southside Public Realm, Project Outputs

Outcome Description	Outcome Quantity / Verification	Outcome Delivery Date
Creation of sense of space and improved local and visitor perception of Birmingham City Centre	Stakeholder/user feedback to be sought post-delivery	Short-term – March 2022
Improved connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists with increased level of active travel	Estimate 10% increase in footfall, 6% in cycling. Comparison of footfall and cyclist levels pre and post scheme.	Short-term – March 2022
Improved safety and security for pedestrians and cyclists in Southside	Benefits not quantified for appraisal (value for money assessment). Accident analysis of pedestrian and cyclist accidents inc. crime statistics pre and post scheme to be conducted.	Short-term – March 2022
Increased inward investment leading to regeneration of Southside and surrounding areas	Increased operational businesses within the area.	Long-term outcome (5 years post-completion)
Reduction in congestion and improvement in air quality within Birmingham City Centre	Traffic surveys pre and post scheme. Air quality monitoring and comparisons in the scheme area over time.	Long-term outcome (5 years post-completion)
Health benefits from increased use of active modes	Not directly measurable	Long-term outcome

Table 2.0 Southside Public Realm, Project Outcomes

Key Milestones

Key milestones from within the Full Business Case will be agreed within the SLA and any variance from these key milestones should be discussed with GBSLEP and will be subject to a change control process.

Funding profile

The agreed maximum funding allocation and claims profile for the delivery of the project is detailed below. All funding is allocated to both the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years and is considered fixed by the GBSLEP. Therefore, any potential variance from this profile should be discussed with GBSLEP and will be subject to a change control process.

£'s	2017-19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total
Expenditure:						
Fees	302,720	195,219	520,406	539,837		1,558,183
Utilities			712,404			712,404
Works			55,778	6,836,186	365,000	7,256,941
Total	302,720	195,219	1,288,588	7,376,023	365,000	9,527,550
Funding:						
EZ GBS Secured	302,720	195,219	193,764			691,703
EZ GBS Requested			1,094,824	6,938,023		8,032,847
BCC Section 106				438,000		438,000
Private Sector					365,000	365,000
Total	302,720	195,219	1,288,588	7,376,023	365,000	9,527,550

Table 3.0 Southside Public Realm, FBC Financial Profile

Conditions

This grant award is subject to you satisfying the conditions as set out in the independent technical evaluation referred to above and will be included in the Conditions Precedent of the Service Level Agreement to ensure compliance prior to any expenditure being funded by the EZ programme. This letter confirms this requirement.

Publicity requirements

As part of the funding conditions, you will be required to acknowledge GBSLEP and Enterprise Zone funding within all publicity materials. Please can you confirm your communications lead by 18 February 2021, so that we can provide a full briefing on these marketing and publicity requirements.

Monitoring and reporting

From acceptance of this offer, you will be required to continue to report on progress through regular Project Management Reports. Christian Cadwallader, Interim Programme Consultant, will act as the principal point of contact for the project.

Yours sincerely



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