

Birmingham City Council

S151 Spending Control Board Decisions

Directorate: City Housing

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Subject	Section 151 Spending Control Board Decisions
Authorizing Officer	Fiona Greenway, S151 officer
Directorate	City Housing
Dates covered	07 -13 October 2023
Further information	s151spendcontrolboard@birmingham.gov.uk

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The existing scheme of Financial Delegation is superseded by the S114 notice.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 in this document:

ID	Title	Approve / Reject
498	Increase in hours to match weekly hours	Approve
551	Legal Officer (Housing Solutions and Support)	Approve
821	Strategic Enabling COL resource	Approve
839	Housing Solutions and Support Service Training - Factual Effective Recording	Approve
960	Housing Management Vehicle Fleet. (Hire, Repairs & Fuel)	Approve
982	Agency staff - Homeless Centre Support Officer x 3 GR 3 posts to cover until permanent posts can be filled	Approve

997	Approval to take over the assignment of 1st floor 4-5 Holt Court. (landlord Birmingham City Council)	Approve
1101	Fuel for Van	Approve
1183	Credit refunds for Local Authority tenants	Approve
1211	2 x GR3 Permanent Posts	Approve
1220	Replacement headset	Approve
1269	Domestic Abuse Solutions and Support Service - Cranstoun	Approve
1274	6 x GR4 Permanent Posts	Approve
1348	Recruitment - Housing Solutions and Support Caseworker Officer	Approve
1387	SECOND CITY NIGHT RATE INVOICE	Approve
1393	COBDEN HOTEL INVOICE	Approve
1413	COUNTY HOTEL INVOICE	Approve
1450	Externally sponsored - HRA Birmingham in Bloom and Neighbourhood Recognition Awards	Approve
1538	Domestic Abuse Sanctuary Provision - Funded from Government Grant with Cabinet Approval	Approve
1555	washing machine repair	Approve
1564	COBDEN HOTEL INVOICE	Approve
1565	Cobden Hotel INVOICE	Approve
1577	SECOND CITY NIGHT RATE INVOICE	Approve

Decision Details

498: Increase in hours to match weekly hours

Amount requested	£5,285.44
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Wayne Davies

551: Legal Officer (Housing Solutions and Support)

Amount requested	£39,858.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

821: Strategic Enabling COL resource

Amount requested	£68,447.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Guy Chuandy

839: Housing Solutions and Support Service Training - Factual Effective Recording

Amount requested	£7,200.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

960: Housing Management Vehicle Fleet. (Hire, Repairs & Fuel)

Amount requested	£601,000.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Gabriel

982: Agency staff - Homeless Centre Support Officer x 3 GR 3 posts to cover until permanent posts can be filled

Amount requested	£32,035.32
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

**997: Approval to take over the assignment of 1st floor 4-5 Holt Court.
(landlord Birmingham City Council)**

Amount requested	£56,156.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Gabriel

1101: Fuel for Van

Amount requested	£3,000.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Gabriel

1183: Credit refunds for Local Authority tenants

Amount requested	£5,000,000.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Paul Lanford

1211: 2 x GR3 Permanent Posts

Amount requested	£46,388.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	09/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Paul Lanford

1220: Replacement headset

Amount requested	£23.52
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Guy Chuandy

1269: Domestic Abuse Solutions and Support Service - Cranstoun

Amount requested	£518,832.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	Approved. Contractually committed spend.
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

1274: 6 x GR4 Permanent Posts

Amount requested	£180,906.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	09/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Paul Lanford

1348: Recruitment - Housing Solutions and Support Caseworker Officer

Amount requested	£23,194.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

1387: SECOND CITY NIGHT RATE INVOICE

Amount requested	£104,640.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

1393: COBDEN HOTEL INVOICE

Amount requested	£2,475.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

1413: COUNTY HOTEL INVOICE

Amount requested	£39,925.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

1450: Externally sponsored - HRA Birmingham in Bloom and Neighbourhood Recognition Awards

Amount requested	£2,500.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Gabriel

1538: Domestic Abuse Sanctuary Provision - Funded from Government Grant with Cabinet Approval

Amount requested	£500,000.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

1555: washing machine repair

Amount requested	£66.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

1564: COBDEN HOTEL INVOICE

Amount requested	£189,388.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

1565: Cobden Hotel INVOICE

Amount requested	£208,339.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	Approved. Statutory duty. Services already received.
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

1577: SECOND CITY NIGHT RATE INVOICE

Amount requested	£95,250.00
S151 Spend Control Board Outcome	Approve
S151 Spend Control Board Notes	
Date of S151 Spend Control Board	12/10/2023
Assistant Director or Director (if no AD)	Stephen Philpott

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