



**SOUTH  
KESTEVEN  
DISTRICT  
COUNCIL**

## **Officer Delegated Decision**

3 March 2025

Deputy Chief Executive and s151  
Officer

### **Flooding Response and Recovery Reserve**

This report outlines the current expenditure in relation to the Flood relief efforts undertaken by SKDC following the 6<sup>th</sup> January flooding incident.

#### **Contact**

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<b>Decision made by:</b>	Deputy Chief Executive and s151 Officer
<b>Decision:</b>	To reflect the expenditure associated with the recent flooding events.
<b>Public or Exempt:</b>	Public
<b>Reasons for exemption:</b>	N/A
<b>Conflicts of interest:</b>	No
<b>Policy compliant:</b>	Yes
<b>Details of delegation:</b>	The Deputy Chief Executive and s151 Officer has the necessary delegation through Financial Regulations to use Discretionary Reserves with the exception of the Local Priorities Reserve and Regeneration Reserve.

#### **1. Implications**

Taking into consideration implications relating to finance and procurement, legal and governance, risk and mitigation, health and safety, diversity and inclusion, safeguarding, staffing, community safety, mental health and wellbeing and the impact on the Council's

declaration of a climate change emergency, the following implications have been identified:

### ***Finance***

- 1.1 The Council has established a dedicated Flood Reserve which can be used to meet costs that are unbudgeted but are deemed necessary to be incurred as a result of the Council's response to the recent flooding incident.

Completed by: Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief Executive and s151 Officer

### ***Legal and Governance***

- 1.2 There are no significant legal and governance implications arising from this report.

Completed by: Graham Watts, Monitoring Officer

## **2. The Purpose of the Report**

2.1 The purpose of the report is to provide information on the expenditure incurred as part of the Council's response and recovery efforts in order to support affected communities within South Kesteven.

2.2 The extremes of weather impacted some council services as well as the wider community which has created both direct and indirect costs. While this report details the cost it should be noted that recovery costs and impacts can still be seen for some time after the incident has passed although no further costs are expected to be incurred.

- £3,682.40 on the provision of skips to Belton Lane Grantham, Greatford and Billingborough
- £7084.04 on staff costs in the Waste team to fill additional sandbags and to complete the re-scheduled waste collection rounds from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025. £6158.15 of this being indirect to complete the waste collections.
- £5,192.80 on filling, delivering and restocking Council flood mitigation resources
- £189.00 to provide Portaloos to Greatford
- £200.00 to provide a pump and fuel to Belton lane Grantham residents to remove sewage flooded into gardens

- £1,099.29 providing dehumidifiers and clean up costs to affected Council properties
- Total £20,393.53

### **3. Available Options Considered**

3.1 Following the unprecedented flooding experienced in South Kesteven in January 2024, It was agreed that a Flood Reserve of £30k would be established for the purpose of providing support to the affected communities. This report sets out how the reserve will be utilised to meet the costs of the flooding event in January.

### **4. Preferred Option**

4.1 As already outlined this funding was established specifically for this purpose

### **5. Reasons for the Decision(s)**

5.1 The reasons are set out in the report.

Signed by: **Richard Wyles**

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Dated: **3 March 2025**