



**SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL**

Officer Delegated Decision

31st July 2026

Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief
Executive and Section 151 Officer

**To seek approval for release of additional funding
for the SKDC Security Services contract.**

Contact

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Decision made by:	Richard Wyles – Deputy Chief Executive and s151 Officer.
Decision:	To approve the release of additional funding relating to SKDC Security Services contract for additional works in 2026/27.
Key Decision?	No
For call-in?	N/A
Public or Exempt:	Public
Reasons for exemption:	This report is not exempt from publication.
Conflicts of interest:	No
Policy compliant:	Yes
Details of delegation:	The Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer have the necessary delegation to release funds from the SKDC Property 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 balance on the Property Maintenance Reserve is sufficient to fund this increase in contract requirement.

Completed by: David Scott – Assistant Director of Finance and Deputy S151 Officer.

Legal and Governance

- 1.2 The Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer have the necessary delegated authority to take this decision as per Part 3(c) of Part 3 – 'Responsibility for Functions' of the Constitution.

Completed by: Emma Powley (Interim Democratic Services Manager)

2. The Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 The SKDC security services contract was previously awarded at a value of £250,000 to A1 Security in January 2025 for security services across numerous SKDC owned sites including The Picture House/SK House, Wyndham Park and the Grantham multi storey car parks. This contract is for an initial term of 2 years with the option to extend for two additional years.
- 2.2 At this time no allowance was included in the original contract for the potential security measures to be undertake at various sites such as the new Turnpike Operations depot development, the disused Alexandra Road / Mowbeck Way site and Conduit Lane Toilets.
- 2.3 Following the successful completion of the new depot it became apparent that additional security would be required both for the new depot and the vacant Alexandra Road Depot. In addition to this Conduit Lane toilets have also now re-opened following redevelopment and an additional requirement for these to be opened and closed was identified.
- 2.4 The purpose of this report is to seek approval for the release of additional funding relating to SKDC Security Services contract for additional works in 2026/27. The original annual budget allocated to the security contract was 50,000pa. As a result of the need for additional security services, it is anticipated there will be an

increase in annual security costs to £100,000pa. This could potentially provide an increase to the initial contract value by approximately 50% over the term of the contract.

- 2.5 Additional budget of £50,000 is proposed to be released from the SKDC Property Reserve in order to cover the 2026/27 shortfall for the remaining financial year, with any additional future funding requirement being allowed for in future budget setting allocations.
- 2.6 These additional security measures include empty building inspections internally and externally at the Alexandra Road depot, plus additional securing, patrolling and alarming of premises currently in our portfolio.

3. Available Options Considered

- 3.1 Option 1 – Release of an additional £50,000 of funding relating to SKDC Security Services contract for additional works in 2026/27 from the Property Maintenance Reserve.
- 3.2 Option 2 – Not to release the funding and therefore be unable to deliver the additional services required to secure the buildings referred to.

4. Preferred Option

- 4.1 Option 1 – Release of an additional £50,000 of funding relating to SKDC Security Services contract for additional works in 2026/27 from the Property Maintenance Reserve.

5. Reasons for the Decision(s)

- 5.1 To ensure that all buildings within the contract are sufficiently secured to ensure building security and that we are compliant with our insurance requirements following recent changes to the General Fund portfolio.

Signed by: **Richard Wyles**

Dated: **31 July 2026**