

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITIES

Ref Number	Details of where written DoF Supply approval is required.	Reference
Where DoF approval (in writing) is required:		
1.	Voluntary and Community Sector related grants or payments above £1.5m (Resource or Capital)	
2.	Housing: - Any increase/decrease of the Standard Rate Housing Association Grant (HAG); - Purchase of land above £6.5m; - Expenditure on Housing Projects (incl land) above £20m.	
3.	Capital Projects - All other expenditure on Capital Projects involving over £20million of Central Government expenditure. This includes Financial Transactions Capital.	
Legislation Specific Delegations		
4.	Provide for payment for travelling to medical examinations.	Social Security Administration (NI) Act 1992 S7(2)(b)
5.	Salaries Remuneration etc of DLA Board Members.	Social Security Administration (NI) Act 1992 S152(5)
6.	Payment of Travelling Expenses.	Social Security Administration (NI) Act 1992 S156
7.	Payment of Salaries for researchers on industrial injuries.	Social Security Administration (NI) Act 1992 S159(2)
8.	Payment in connection with the Administration of the Regulations under the Old Cases Act.	Social Security Administration (NI) Act 1992 Sch 6 para 1(6)
9.	Amount of Disability Living Allowance Advisory Boards expenses.	Social Security Administration (NI) Act 1992 S152(4)
10.	Payment of Fees or Allowances by Pensions Ombudsman for advice during investigations.	Pension Schemes (NI) Act 1993 S146(6)
11.	Charges for licences and certificates are set by Department with DoF consent.	Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (NI) Order 1985 Art 172(2)
12.	Fees for track betting licences are set by DoH with DoF consent.	Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (NI) Order 1985 Art 37(2)
13.	Abandonment of Recovery Action in respect of overpayments of Social Security Act Benefits over £65 & increase in the limit at which civil bill proceedings are considered.	

Delegations which it may be possible to remove subject to legal review:

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14.	Regulation to provide for supplementing workmen's compensation in respect of pre-1948 employment.	Social Security Contributions and Benefits (NI) Act 1992 S8 para 2(1)
15.	Terms and Conditions (including allowances) for Appointments to: - The Chair of the Local Govt Staff Commission and other officers - Local Government Boundaries Commissioner - Assistant Local Government Boundaries Commissioners.	Local Government Act (NI) 1972
16.	Capitalisation Direction in respect of revenue expenditure	Local Government (Finance) Act (NI) 2011
17.	Control of Borrowing	Local Government (Finance) Act (NI) 2011
18.	Imposition of Borrowing limits	Local Government (Finance) Act (NI) 2011
19.	Provision of built heritage related grants (including grants to acquire listed buildings) to not-for-profit bodies over £125k	Planning (NI) Order 1991 (as amended)
20.	Open Space grants – on terms greater than £150k.	Local Government Act (NI) 1966.
21.	Compensation Payments made to District Council Officers under section 3 of Local Government Act (NI) 1966	Local Government Act (NI) 1966
22.	Grants to District Councils to assist with emergency planning arrangements	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1992.
23.	Emergency Payments to District Councils in the event of an emergency/disaster	Local Government (NI) Order 2005
24.	Schemes under the 1950 Employment and Training Act – DoF approval to be sought for changes to rates or terms of payment. New Schemes: Subject to agreed resource provision, DEL may introduce or assist programmes which are consistent with its agreed strategy if it considers that this will contribute to the more effective delivery of its objectives. Should DEL bid for funding for a new scheme, such a scheme will require DoF approval.	Employment and Training Act (NI) 1950 Section 1(1C) Disabled Persons (Employment) Act (NI) 1945

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25.	Disposal, Acquisition or conveying of lands and provision of facilities – on terms greater than £100k.	Nature Conservation and Amenity Lands (NI) Order 1985 (as amended) The Historic Monuments & Archaeological Objects Order (NI) 1995 The Water (NI) Order 1999
26.	Grants and loans to National Trust on terms greater than £150k.	Nature Conservation and Amenity Lands (NI) Order 1985
27.	Grants to owners of Derelict sites in excess of £50k.	Nature Conservation and Amenity Lands (NI) Order 1985
28.	Provision of built heritage related grants (including grants to acquire listed buildings) to not for profit bodies over £125k	Planning (NI) Order 1991 (as amended)
29.	Acquisition of land for public access.	Access to the Countryside (NI) Order 1983.
30.	Payments to persons other than Boards for educational purposes.	The Education & Libraries (NI) Order 1986 Article 115
31.	Sports – rate or amounts of grants under Article 11(1).	The Recreation & Youth Services (NI) Order 1986 Article 11(2)
32.	Sports – interest rates on grant repayable by District Councils/Voluntary Bodies.	The Recreation & Youth Services (NI) Order 1986 Article 11(7)
33.	Sports Council – salary of Chairman/Vice-Chairman.	The Recreation & Youth Services (NI) Order 1986 Schedule 1 Part II para 5
34.	Sports Council – conditions for car loans to officers.	The Recreation & Youth Services (NI) Order 1986 Article 4.2©
35.	Sports Council – form of accounts.	The Recreation & Youth Services (NI) Order 1986 Article 7(2)(a)
36.	Sports – arrangements for paying grants to District Councils/Voluntary Bodies.	The Recreation & Youth Services (NI) Order 1986 Article 11(1)
37.	Museums – consent to provision of indemnity for loan of objects made by persons or bodies other than National Museums.	National Heritage Act 1980 Section 16(2)(e)
38.	Museums – conditions under which indemnities are issued.	National Heritage Act 1980 Section 16(4)
39.	Interest Rates on Grant Repayable to Arts Council in respect of land and buildings.	The Arts Council (NI) Order 1995 Article 5(7)
40.	Arts Council – Salary of Chairman & Vice-Chairman.	The Arts Council (NI) Order 1995 Schedule para 4(3)
41.	Arts Council – form and content of accounts.	The Arts Council (NI) Order 1995 Article 8(2)
42.	Accounts – form of Boards' annual accounts.	Libraries NI (Act) 2008 S1 (16)(2)
43.	National Museums & Galleries of Northern Ireland – Form of Accounts.	Museums and Galleries (NI) Order 1998 Article 10(2)(a)

Ref Number	Details	Reference
44.	Commission for Children and Young People NI: - Commissioners remuneration; allowances and pensions - Staff numbers; remuneration; allowances and pensions	The Commissioner for Children and Young People (Northern Ireland) Order 2003 Schedule 2 : Para 4 Para 5
45.	Commission for Older People: Staff numbers; remuneration; allowances and pensions	The Commissioner for Older People Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 Chapter 1 Schedule 1: Para 5