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Dear Barry

I am writing to inform you that you are appointed as Commercial and Finance Commissioner at Spelthorne Borough Council for the remaining duration of the current Directions, until 31 May 2030. You will continue to work closely with Lesley Seary as Lead Commissioner and Deborah McLaughlin as Regeneration and Housing Commissioner.

The team is expected to continue working together to support Spelthorne and Woking Borough Councils to improve the performance and transition into West Surrey so that it effectively serves and protects the people of the area.

All other terms and conditions set out in your original letter of appointment on 15 July 2026 remain applicable. You are entitled to a fee of £1,100 per day as Commissioner, plus reasonable expenses, payable by the Authority for up to 70 days per year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the Commissioners for your continued dedication to supporting this intervention.

Yours sincerely,

James Blythe
Deputy Director, Local Government Stewardship and Interventions