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Community Infrastructure Levy Fund

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CIL Fund

- Infrastructure to address cumulative impact of development
- Local criteria – low carbon living
- Total fund £500,000
- Apply for £20,000 - £100,000
- Constituted community groups, not-for-profit organisations, local Councils
- Application deadline 5pm on Monday 19 October

CIL Regulations

“...must apply CIL to funding the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure to support the development of its area.”

S216(2) of Planning Act 2008 states *“Infrastructure includes: (a) roads and other transport facilities, (b) flood defences, (c) schools and other educational facilities, (d) medical facilities, (e) sporting and recreational facilities, and (f) open spaces.”*



Government guidance on spend

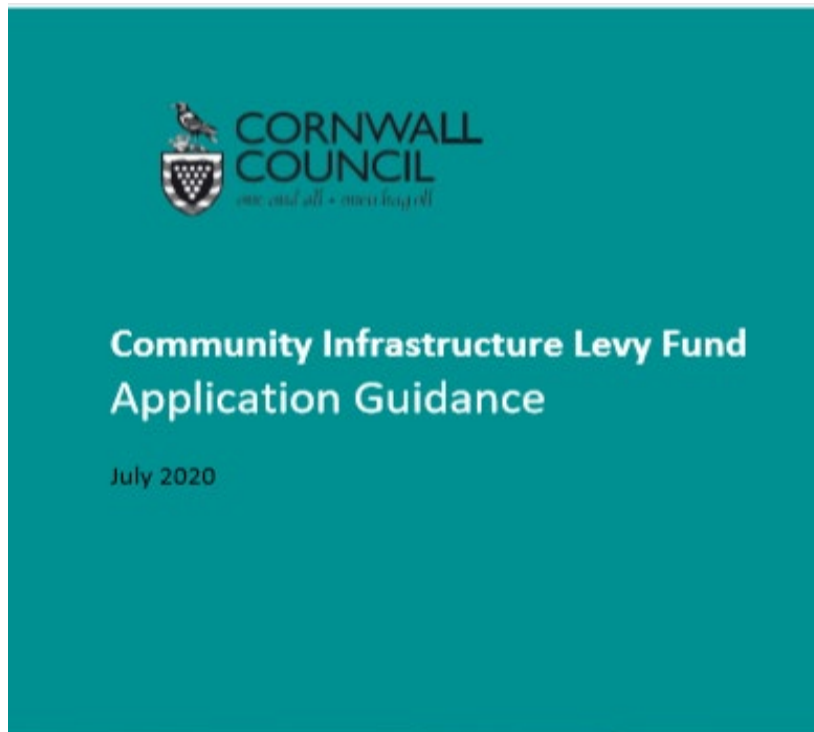
- Used to fund a wide range of infrastructure, including transport, flood defences, schools, hospitals, and other health and social care facilities.
- Covers broad range of facilities such as play areas, open spaces, parks and green spaces, cultural and sports facilities, healthcare facilities, academies and free schools, district heating schemes and police stations and other community safety facilities.
- Can be used to increase the capacity of existing infrastructure or to repair failing existing infrastructure, if that is necessary to support development.

Paragraph: 144 Reference ID: 25-144-20190901 Revision date: 01 09 2019

Assessment process

- Initial assessment by Infrastructure Team
 - Applicant and project eligibility
 - Application completeness
- Funding Advisory Panel 18/19 November 2020
- Applicant presentation or summary
- Recommendations made to Service Director for Planning and Sustainable Development
- Decisions mid-December
- Funding agreement – amount, quarterly claims, reporting requirements

Please read the guidance!



Decision Making Wheel Guidance

As part of an ongoing commitment to tackling the Climate Emergency and how it should influence strategy and policy, all decisions should incorporate the Decision-Making Wheel to inform the decision making process. This is designed not to be a resource intensive exercise but to prompt thought by both project leaders and decision makers. The wheel is shown below:



There are 11 outer environmental sections and 11 inner social, economic and cultural sections. The tool is designed so that these sections are considered in conjunction with each other and that the wider effects of proposed initiatives are brought into the decision-making process. It is also a tool to prompt thought on how a project can further benefit the residents and environment in Cornwall. It is of benefit to undertake the exercise as early in the project as possible in order to mitigate the

effects of any adverse implications that are discovered during the process. The wheel should display a mitigated position as that is the suggested course of action that decision makers will be basing their decision on.

The sections of the wheel should be considered in turn and assigned an impact level. These scores should represent the impact the project / policy will have against a decision not to undertake it at all. The impact levels are as follows:

Long Lasting or Extensive Positive Impact	5	Long Lasting or Extensive Positive Impact – will the impacts of this decision have a large scale, long term effect? This might include impacts affecting thousands of people or large areas of the county such as those resulting from a new housing estate or community centre.
Short Term or Limited Positive Impact	4	
No Impact or Neutral Impact	3	Short Term or Limited Positive Impact – This is positive but could be limited in its effects or one with a short lifespan. This might include an engagement event or a small-scale home improvement project.
Short Term or Limited Negative Impact	2	
Long Lasting or Severe Negative Impact	1	

Application assessment

- Applicant and project eligibility
- Project proposal – enough information to understand the project and what it will achieve
- Evidence of need:
 - Address the cumulative impact of development and the demands it may place on an area
 - Genuine problem/issue/need
 - How will the proposal address this
 - Partnership working
 - Local Plan and Neighbourhood Development Plan objectives – infrastructure, not just low carbon
 - Carbon neutral outcomes – score card


Decision Making Wheel



The Saints Trail Project is designed with active travel in mind and so has been given a score of 5 for the categories of Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions. Although land will be converted from greenfield in a few places, it is not all quality land and there is a full environmental impact assessment in place and mitigations planned to replace the biodiversity lost, in time.

Evidence from similar schemes shows substantial number of jobs created. There will also be educational signs along the trails to enable people to learn about the local historical features and environment. Although there is the possibility that opening up previously inaccessible areas of land to the public may make it possible to misuse the land, this is far outweighed by the huge health benefits and enjoyment of their local environment that will be gained by residents and tourists alike.



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- Support from:
 - Local Council, local Cornwall Councillor, Community Link Officer
 - Other consultation
 - Delivering the project:
 - Decisions and project management
 - Barriers and risks to delivery
 - Permissions required
 - Delivery timescales and project closure
 - Value for money:
 - Quotes and project costs
 - Amount and % requested
 - Other funding
 - Income generation

Useful Links

www.cornwall.gov.uk/cil - 'CIL Fund'

- Application form
- Application guidance
- Climate Change Decision Making wheel and guidance

Deadline: 5pm on 19 October 2020

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Questions

