

CIL spending Strategy

We should use our Neighbourhood CIL money for refurbishing assets, improving assets or providing new assets, and avoid using it for general maintenance. However, this should be a recommendation not a hard and fast rule, as there may in the future be a need to consider funding something not covered by these agreed principles. Any use should always be in line with government legislation.

In identifying projects to be funded from our Neighbourhood CIL, we should refer to either the Strategic Plan or Neighbourhood Plan. However, we should be aware that the Neighbourhood Plan is several years old and new needs may arise that are not in the plan currently.

We should always consider using our Neighbourhood CIL money as leverage to get additional grants from others (e.g. district CIL) and so the money goes further. This is likely to be for small or medium sized projects. We may be able to access the (much) larger strategic district council CIL pot for large projects, once the Garden Neighbourhood development has started.

We should maintain a list of what Neighbourhood CIL we have and when we got it, so we can monitor it and ensure that we spend the oldest CIL before it gets time limited. The Finance & Governance Committee should monitor this each meeting.

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