

INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING STATEMENT

2025



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1 INTRODUCTION

INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING STATEMENT

- 1.1 As a result of changes to the Regulations implemented through the Community Infrastructure Levy (Amendment) (England) (No.2) Regulations 2019¹ (which came into force on 1 September 2019), authorities now need to increase transparency for communities, by reporting on what they have received and spent through CIL and developer contributions and include information for the following year on CIL allocation. Changes to the Community Infrastructure Levy (Amendment) (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2019):
- removed the restriction on pooling more than 5 planning obligations towards a single piece of infrastructure;
 - deleted the Regulation 123 List; and
 - allows authorities to choose to pool funding from different routes to fund the same infrastructure, provided that authorities set out in their infrastructure funding statements which infrastructure they expect to fund through the levy and through planning obligations.
- 1.2 Each calendar year (by 31st December) the Council is required to publish an Infrastructure Funding Statement in relation to the next calendar year detailing the infrastructure projects or types of infrastructure which it intends will be wholly or partly funded by CIL.
- 1.3 This Statement (IFS) identifies the infrastructure projects or types of infrastructure which Dudley Council intends will be, or may be, wholly or partly funded by the Community Infrastructure Levy; whilst other sources of funding that can be pooled to fund the same infrastructure projects shown (see Table 9).
- 1.4 Funding for the delivery of infrastructure will be sought by the Council from multiple sources over several years. Developer contributions can be provided in several ways:
- through planning conditions – to make development acceptable that would otherwise be unacceptable.
 - through planning obligations in the form of Section 106 agreements – where it is not possible to address unacceptable impacts through a planning condition.
 - through the Community Infrastructure (CIL) – a fixed charge levied on new development to fund infrastructure.

¹ <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukdsi/2019/9780111187449>

- 1.5 It is generally expected that Developer Contributions: CIL and Planning Obligation (Section 106) will only provide a contribution to funding infrastructure costs. Alongside this funding there are mainstream sources of funding available to support delivery including sources of funding for education, transport, and utilities infrastructure.

2 Types of Developer Contribution

SECTION 106 PLANNING OBLIGATIONS

- 2.1 Under section 106 (s106) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 a Local Planning Authority (LPA) can seek obligations, both physically on-site and contributions for off-site provision, when it is considered that a development will have negative impacts that cannot be dealt with through conditions in the planning permission.
- 2.2 For example, new residential developments place additional pressure on existing social, physical and economic infrastructure in the surrounding area. Planning obligations aim to balance this extra pressure with improvements to the surrounding area to ensure that a development makes a positive contribution to the local area.
- 2.3 The obligations may be provided by the developers “in kind”– that is, where the developer builds or provides directly the matters necessary to fulfil the obligation. This might be to build a certain number of affordable homes on-site, for example. Alternatively, planning obligations can be met in the form of financial payments to the Council to provide off-site infrastructure works or contributions towards providing affordable housing elsewhere in the Borough. In some cases, it can be a combination of both on-site provision and off-site financial contributions.
- 2.4 Dudley MBC has historically sought financial contributions for the following areas:
- Nature Conservation Enhancements;
 - Public Open Space Improvements;
 - Transport Infrastructure Improvements;
 - Public Realm Improvements.
 - Education provision
- 2.5 Regulations state that a planning obligation may only constitute a reason for granting planning permission for the development if the obligation is:
- necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms,
 - directly related to the development; and
 - fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.
- 2.6 S106 contributions have also been sought for Public Open Space Maintenance, however this is ring-fenced and incorporated within the Council’s greenspace maintenance budget each year.

2.7 Dudley Council's requirements for s106 planning obligations are set out in the Council's adopted Dudley Borough Development Strategy (2017)². Additional guidance is available in the Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document³.

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

2.8 Unlike s106 obligations, CIL is intended to fund more generalised, strategic infrastructure requirements across the Borough in order to support new development. It is a mechanism to secure financial contributions from developers on certain viable developments and CIL monies can be used to fund the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure to support the development of the area.

2.9 CIL Rates must be set out via a published charging schedule and the Council's latest charging schedule was adopted in July 2015 with effect from 1 October 2015. Further information can be found on the Council's webpage⁴:

SECTION 278 HIGHWAY AGREEMENTS

2.10 Section 278 agreements (s278) under the Highways Act 1980 are legally binding agreements between the Local Highway Authority (Dudley Council) and the developer to ensure delivery of necessary highway works as a result of new development.

2.11 It may allow for items such as:

- Roundabouts;
- Priority junctions;
- Junctions with traffic lights
- Right turn lanes;
- Improved facilities for pedestrians and cyclists;
- Improvements to existing junctions;
- Traffic calming measures.

² <https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/planning/planning-policy/dudley-local-plan/dudley-borough-development-strategy/>

³ <https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/planning/planning-policy/dudley-local-plan/planning-obligations-supplementary-planning-document/>

⁴ <https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/planning/planning-policy/dudley-local-plan/community-infrastructure-levy/>

3 Developer Contributions 2024/25

S106 CONTRIBUTIONS

- 3.1 The total amount of s106 monies held by the Council on 31st March 2025 was £2,903,481.59
- 3.2 Table 1 shows the unspent monies held by the Council.

Table 1: Total unspent S106 monies held by the Council at 31st March 2025

Money held 31 st March by allocation	Amount Held
Open Space	£208,443.23
Open Space Maintenance	£374,974.40
Nature Conservation	£42,282.83
Public Realm	£169,201.96
Transportation	£354,243.84
Traffic Regulation Orders	£126,143.75
Affordable Housing	£448,625.55
Education	£1,178,608.08
Library	£956.95
Total	£2,903,481.59

- 3.3 As of 31st March 2025, there were no monies transferred to external bodies.

Financial contributions agreed in 2024/25 through s106 Agreements

- 3.3 There was one s106 agreement made in 2024-2025.

Monies received in 2024/2025 to be spent by the Council

- 3.4 There was £697,552.48 s106 income received by the Council in 2024/2025.

S106 monies spent in 2024/2025 by the Council

- 3.5 A total of £865,663.22 was spent by the Council during the 2024-2025 financial year as shown in Table 2.

Table 2: Total S106 monies spent in 2024-2025

Monies agreed in 2022/2023	Amount
Open Space	£313,354.54
Open Space Maintenance	£24,599.57
Education	£497,433.26
Nature Conservation	£30,274.85
Total	£865,663.22

Non-Monetary contributions agreed in 2024-2025 through s106 Agreements

- 3.6 The Council has not agreed to any s106 agreements in 2024-25 which involved a non-monetary agreement.

Biodiversity Net Gain related S106 agreements

- 3.7 As of 12th February 2024, relevant planning applications have been subject to new mandatory Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) requirements under the Environment Act 2021. This legislation mandates a minimum 10% uplift in biodiversity, this is to ensure that developments leave the natural environment in a measurably better state than before. S106 agreements are entered into with the Council to secure the fee for the council to monitor BNG for the next 30 years in relation to development.
- 3.8 There was one s106 agreement made for BNG during 2024-2025.
- 3.9 There was £3,000 s106 income for BNG monitoring received by the Council in 2024/2025.

SECTION 278 PROJECTS

3.10 The following table sets out the works carried out in the Borough under s278 agreements in the 2024/25 monitoring year.

Table 4: S278 Projects in 2024/25

Development Site	Summary of s278 works	Amount
Birmingham New Road/Bean Road, Sedgley Road West, Coseley	Installation of new signalised junction with associated pedestrian/cycleway crossings as part of the wider residential estate.	£902,480.74
Wellington Industrial Estate, Bean Road, Coseley	Re-alignment of carriageway and provision of new estate entrance including associated lining and signage	£70,330
Ridge Hill/Brierley Hill Road, Wordsley	Private estate providing a cycleway link to Brierley Hill Road	£288,935.78
Bull Street/Waterloo Street, Dudley	Minor improvements including the provision of a pedestrian refuge.	£93,163.06
Westminster Industrial Estate, Cradley Road, Netherton.	Minor improvements including pedestrian crossing facility and associated lining	£37,420.52
Bourne Street, Coseley	Provision of 5 sets of speed cushions including associated lining and signage	£55,989.41
Balds Lane, Lye	Provision of 3 sets of speed cushions including associated lining and signage	£77,427.70
Aldi, Bilston Street, Sedgley.	Realignment of carriageway including the provision of a Pedestrian refuge and associated TRO lining, bus stop and signage	£306,717.48
Former Sedgley Police Station	Realignment of carriageway including the provision of a Pedestrian crossing and associated TRO lining	£22,762.23
Park Lane, Cradley	Provision of 3 Pedestrian refuges including associated TRO lining and signage.	£157,789.34
Blowers Green Road, Dudley	Minor improvements including the provision of a pedestrian refuge	£135,767.51
Lowndes Road, Stourbridge	Minor improvements including the provision of a pedestrian crossing including associated TRO lining and signage	£82,085.98

3.11 Table 5 below sets out the s278 highway works to be delivered as part of future developments in the Borough which will be implemented should development progress as planned.

Table 5: S278 Committed Projects in future years

Development Site	Summary of s278 works	Amount
Old Wharf Road, Stourbridge	Minor improvements including priority give way build outs, traffic narrowing calming and associated TRO lining and signage	£411,841.88
Former Stuart Crystal site at Vine Street, Wordsley.	Formalising of the emergency link to Argyle Close.	£79,000.00
Aldi, Zoar Street, Gornal.	Realignment of carriageway including the provision of a Pedestrian refuge and associated TRO lining and signage.	£350,000.00
Stallings Lane, Kingswinford	Provision of a right-turn facility and re-alignment of the carriageway, including 2 pedestrian refuges, associated lining and signage.	£200,000.00
Pear Tree Lane, Coseley	Provision of Traffic Calming features (4no. Road Tables) with associated signage and construction of a new bell mouth entrance to facilitate a new residential estate.	£150,000.00
Former Sandvik Works, Manor Way, Halesowen	Provision of footpath access from private residential estate.	£15,000.00
Former Wood and Moore establishment, Wallows Road, Brierley Hill	Provision of bell mouth entrance to facilitate a new residential entrance.	£40,000.00
Marriott Road, Netherton	Provision of bell mouth entrance to facilitate a new residential entrance and associated footway works.	£40,000.000
Limes Road, Dudley	- Provision of bell mouth entrance to facilitate a new residential entrance, associated footway works, lighting and provision of a pedestrian refuge.	£50,000.00

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL)

- 3.12 CIL was introduced by Dudley Council on 1st October 2015. The intention was to raise levies from the anticipated housing and retail developments. CIL differs from s106 planning obligations as it addresses infrastructure shortfalls and funds can be combined in a way to address these gaps.
- 3.13 In accordance with CIL Regulations, Cabinet approved the process for the allocation and spend of CIL monies at its meeting on the 26th October 2016. In relation to the spend of CIL receipts, the CIL Regulations require that they are split into 3 categories, as follows:

Capital and Revenue (C&R) Infrastructure Funding	80% (10% of which is set aside for strategic infrastructure funding)
Neighbourhood CIL Funding (NCIL)	15% (capped at £100 per dwelling place)
Administrative Expenses	Up to 5%

- 3.14 By the 31st March 2025 a total of £2,119,159.15 receipts had been received as shown in Table 6 below.

Table 6: Total CIL receipts received by 31st March 2025

Year	CIL Income Received	80% C&R funding	15% NCIL	5% Admin
2016/17	£75,630.74	£60,504.59	£11,344.61	£3,781.54
2017/18	£75,478.24	£60,382.59	£11,321.74	£3,773.91
2018/19	£446,183.96	£356,947.17	£66,927.59	£22,309.20
2019/20	£193,353.19	£154,682.55	£29,002.98	£9,667.66
2020/21	£662,763.62	£530,210.90	£99,414.54	£33,138.18
2021/22	£123,432.62	£98,746.10	£18,514.89	£6,171.63
2022/23	£111,856.72	£89,485.38	£16,778.51	£5,592.84
2023/24	£358,598.17	£286,878.54	£53,789.73	£17,929.91
2024/25	£71,861.89	£57,489.51	£10,779.28	£3,593.09
Total	£2,119,159.15	£1,695,327.32	£317,873.87	£105,957.96

Unallocated receipts from previous years

- 3.15 Council's that implement CIL were previously required to have a Regulation 123 List. This is a list of specific costed projects and types of infrastructure that have been identified by various providers across the Borough as candidates to be funded or part funded by CIL monies. This list is now provided in the Infrastructure Funding Statement Project List. It should be noted that inclusion on the List does not guarantee that CIL

monies will, in the future, be allocated to the project; however, CIL monies cannot be allocated to a project that is not included on the List.

- 3.16 There were several key infrastructure projects which were previously included on the Regulation 123 List with funding gaps of over £1million. These strategic projects form part of the Infrastructure Delivery Plan to support the growth and infrastructure requirements of the Core Strategy and the Area Action Plans for Brierley Hill, Stourbridge, Halesowen and Dudley. It is unlikely that, with the current allocation process and projected CIL receipts, there will be enough funds in the pot at any one time to allow these projects to apply for funding. For this reason, a total of 10% will be taken from the Capital and Revenue Infrastructure Funding budget (currently 80% of total CIL receipts) and kept aside until it reaches £1million – or a significant figure to be reviewed annually - to allow larger strategic infrastructure projects to apply for funding through the CIL process. This will apply to all CIL receipts received by the Council from January 2021.
- 3.17 As 10% of CIL receipts received from 1st January 2021 are not available for allocation through the IFS, the total large strategic project CIL receipts carried forward to the 2025-2026 financial year was **£74,923.08.**
- 3.18 Committed projects for 2024/25 (as per table 10) were approved at cabinet and contracts signed in July 2025. Therefore, £1,476,449.91 had been allocated to 18 projects. It should be noted that two further projects were allocated funds (in 2019 and 2022), however, were since cancelled and funds returned. The total amount of uncommitted CIL carried forward to 2025-2026 financial year (excluding the 10% strategic fund) in the capital and revenue infrastructure pot was **£143,954.33.**

Total value of demand notices issued in 2024-25

- 3.19 National guidance suggests that Councils should consider reporting on estimated future income where possible. Table 7 shows the number of demand notices issued in the 2024-2025 financial year and the contribution required from each planning application which totalled £173,732.64. This provides an indication of how much CIL funding could be paid to the Council in future financial years if development is completed.

Table 7: Summary of total demand notices issued between 2024–2025

Planning Reference	Site of CIL Contribution	CIL Demand Notice
P23/1456	60, High Street, Pensnett, Brierley Hill, DY5 4RH	£15,104.10
P23/1380	157 – 159 New John Street, Halesowen, B62 8HT	£8,372.18
P20/1896	Vacant Land Adjacent Willow House, Green Lane, Kingswinford	£773.73
P24/0230	Land at Maltmill Lane	£103,099.52
P16/1778	Rear of Featherknowle, Quarry Park Road, Stourbridge, DY8 2RE	£35,203.60
P22/1477	34, High Street, Sedgley, Dudley, DY3 1RN	£11,179.51
Total		£173,732.64

Total CIL Receipts received in 2024-2025

- 3.20 Table 8a lists the CIL receipts (monies) received in the 2024-2025 financial year with details of how this was broken down into the various components of CIL funding in Table 8b.

Table 8a: Total CIL receipts received in 2024 – 2025

Planning Reference	Site of CIL Contribution	CIL Demand Notice
P21/2189	Malt Mill Lane, Halesowen	£9,266.88
P22/1477	34 High Street, Sedgley	£13,465.41
P16/1778	Rear of Featherknowle, Quarry Bank Road	£35,203.60
P21/1626	Top Bell Public House, Lye	£13,926.00
Total		£71,875.89

Table 8b: Breakdown of CIL receipts received in 2024-2025

CIL Breakdown	Total
Administration – 5% of total CIL received	£3,593.09
Neighbourhood element of CIL - 15% of total CIL received	£10,779.28
Infrastructure monies – 80% of total CIL received	£57,489.51
Total	£71,861.89

- 3.21 It should be noted two CIL receipts have been written off over the financial year. These are detailed in table 8c below.

Table 8c: Breakdown of CIL receipts 2024-2025

Planning Reference	Site of CIL Contribution	Amount	Reason
P17/1669	Land Adj Lowndes Rd and Birch Drive, Wollaston	£103,157.97	Liability Order Received Through Court
P21/0328	Land adj to 159 Balfour Rd, Kford	£1,908.46	Refunded

Total	£105,066.43
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CIL receipts spent and allocated in 2024-2025

3.22 CIL receipts spent in 2024-2025 are shown in Table 9. There were three CIL funding allocations in 2024-2025, Table 10 details the projects which were allocated funding.

Table 9: CIL receipts spent in 2024-2025

Scheme	Amount Allocated
CIL Contribution Towards Wordsley Play Area	£3,211.00
CIL Contribution Towards Hawbush Play Area	£86,764.95
Closedown of CIL Account 2024-25 - Round Oak	£4,000.00
Transport Capital Lowndes Road 3k of £84k used 24/25	£3,313.05
TfWM Scheme 19k of 35k used 24/25	£19,000.00
Closedown of CIL Account 2024-25 - Str Parapet	£21,406.94
Closedown of CIL Account 2024-25 - Str Pocket Park	£39,139.50
Total	£176,835.44

Table 10: CIL funds allocated in 2024-25 – committed at cabinet in June 2025

Scheme	Amount Allocated
Renewal of Grade 2 Listed Delph Stables, Brierley Hill	£31,000.00
Buffery Bowls project- improvements to derelict bowling green	£80,000.00
Milking Bank Pond perimeter pathway resurfacing	£47,000.00
Total	£158,000

Neighbourhood Funding Portion of CIL

3.23 Neighbourhood CIL (NCIL) accounts for 15% of total CIL receipts. Officers in Regeneration and Enterprise commissioned a Civic Funding Platform in March 2024, to ensure the spend of UK Shared Prosperity Fund (SPF) and as a result, there was an opportunity to use the platform as a pilot to allocate NCIL monies until March 2025. As part of this funding platform, a total of £29,593.00 of NCIL monies were allocated to two projects.

3.24 The first of these projects was 'What? Windows' which were allocated £20,000.00 of NCIL funding, for the replacement of windows and shopfront at a counselling facility in Stourbridge Town Centre. The second project was 'New Beginnings Garden' which was allocated £9,593.00 of NCIL funding for the renovation of an outdoor space at a community centre in Dudley Town Centre.

3.25 As a result of this spend £288,278.37 is remaining in the NCIL pot.

4 Completed projects

Installation of Round Oak Steelwork Monument

- 4.1 The Borough Artist at Dudley MBC requested funding for the design and installation of the Round Oak Steelwork Memorial public art project at Dudley Road, Brierley Hill. The Round Oak Steelworks was a crucial part of life in Brierley Hill from its founding as the Earl of Dudley's Ironworks in 1857 until closure in 1982. The creation of the monument was substantially completed in 2023.



Enhancement of Stour Bridge

- 4.2 The Project Engineers at Dudley MBC requested funding to enhance the Stour Bridge. The designs incorporate the giant words "Stour Bridge" with the old town crest in the centre, whilst a subsidiary inscription "Monarch's Way 1651" refers to the place of the bridge on the escape route of the future Charles II after defeat by Cromwell at the Battle of Worcester. The works were completed in 2024.



Stourbridge Street Lighting and CCTV

- 4.3 The Placemaking Team at DMBC requested funding to install CCTV and new lightning at the Lower High Street Subway, Stourbridge. These improvements were introduced to enhance safety and create a more welcoming environment. The installation works were successfully completed in 2025.



Hawbush Play Area Improvements

- 4.4 Street and Green Care at DMBC requested funding to enhance the play area at Hawbush Park. The enhancements included the installation of a new play area for children to improve the existing play area. This project was completed in 2024/25.



Wordsley Park Play Area Improvements

- 4.5 Dudley MBC's Street and Greencare team requested funding for the improvement of the play area at Wordsley Park to modernise and create more inclusive play facilities. Works were completed on the play area in December 2023.



5 Infrastructure Projects 2025-2026

- 5.1 This infrastructure statement is a 'living' document and will be the subject of on-going update and monitoring during 2026. The infrastructure list was most recently updated in late 2025 and new schemes have been added. However, it should be noted that inclusion of any type of infrastructure in the Infrastructure Funding Statement does not signify a commitment from the Council to deliver or fund, either in whole or in part, this type of infrastructure through CIL. Nor does the order of the table imply any order of preference or weighting of infrastructure. The process of governance for CIL expenditure will be carried out separately whilst having regards to the Infrastructure Funding Statement.
- 5.2 It is generally expected that Developer Contributions: CIL and Planning obligations (s106) will only provide a contribution to funding the infrastructure costs. Alongside this funding, there are mainstream sources of funding available to support delivery, including sources of funding for transport, utilities infrastructure, education and health.
- 5.3 Moving forward, the Council will review the Infrastructure List on an annual basis. A consultation will be undertaken with key infrastructure providers requesting project submission forms to be completed (See Appendix One). The submitted forms will be assessed against the criteria set out in Table 10 below to determine their suitability. For a project to be added to the Infrastructure List it will be required to satisfy all six criteria. Where a significant number of submissions are received, it may be necessary for the list to be amended to only include projects that enable significant infrastructure delivery to support the borough's growth agenda and support the strategic infrastructure requirements of the emerging Local Plan.

Table 11: Criteria for Assessing Infrastructure Funding Statement Projects to include in the IFS

Criteria	Pass/Fail	Evidence
Is the project a Strategic Priority/Local Priority?		Strategic Boroughwide Priority – Local Plan/Corporate Plan Local Plan – Area Action Plan
Is the infrastructure project essential or significant in supporting new development in the Borough?		Is the project consistent with the Development Plan/Referenced in adopted spatial plans or emerging Local Plan?
Are there any constraints which will impact on the delivery of the infrastructure?		Projects that have no, major or moderate constraint will be considered for inclusion
Amount of CIL contribution sought		Details of the budget gap and confirmation no other capital funding

		source can be identified. Details of any S106 funds to be provided
Has the project identified match funding?		Has this been secured and details?
Timeline for delivery (start and end)		Detailed project plan or timeline demonstrating the project is feasible

6 CIL Spending Process

- 6.1 The amount of CIL funds will be reviewed at the start of each financial year and the following process for the allocation of CIL Funds will be applied:

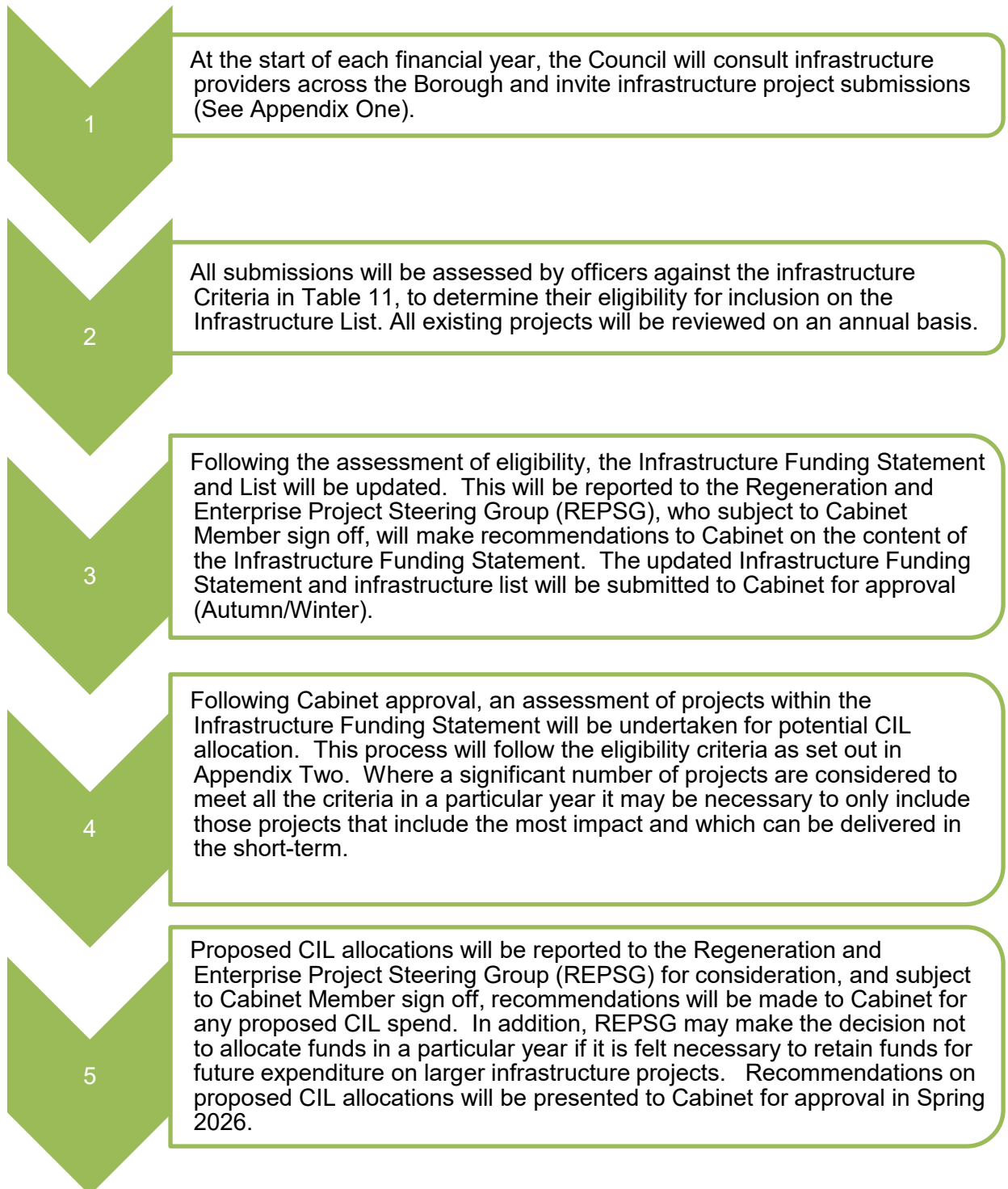


Table 12: Infrastructure List

Infrastructure Type or Project		Approximate Funding Gap
Transport	Design, supply and construction of new foot/cycle bridge over Stourbridge Canal	£280,000.00
Transport Exclusions	Transport related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	
Nature Conservation Exclusions	Nature Conservation related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	
Public Realm	Street furniture in Dudley Town Centre	£27,986.13
	Installation of brown tourism signs to direct visits to Stourbridge Glass Quarter	£12,021.00
Public Realm Exclusions	Public Realm related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	
Public Realm Maintenance Exclusions	Public Realm maintenance related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	
Air Quality Exclusions	Air Quality related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	
Canal and River Trust	Canal Path improvement- Bumble Hole to Pear Tree Lane	£1,204,000.00
Canals and Rivers Exclusions	Canal and River related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	
Libraries, Archives and Adult	Library, Archives and Adult Learning related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	

Infrastructure Type or Project		Approximate Funding Gap
Learning Exclusions		
Public Art	Round Oak Memorial Interpretation Panel	£5,000.00
Public Art Exclusions	Public Art related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	
Flood Management & Sustainable Drainage Exclusions	Flood Management and Sustainable Drainage related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	
Open Space, Sport and Recreation	New warden base at Barrow Hill including education centre	£550,000.00
	Sedgley Beacon Repairs and Improvements	£120,000.00
	New visitor centre, café and children's play area at The Leasowes Green Gateway	£1,000,000.00
	Leasowes Interpretation Project - signage	£40,000.00
	Refurbishment of existing wardens base at Wrens Nest	£700,000.00
	Improvements to Sedgley Hall Park Farm Play Area	£110,000.00
	Improvements to Spring Meadow Play Area	£115,000.00
Open Space, Sport and Recreation Exclusions	Open Space, Sport and Recreation related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	
Leisure Exclusions	Leisure related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	

Infrastructure Type or Project		Approximate Funding Gap
Education	As and when borough-wide specific education infrastructure projects are identified and costed, they will be added to this Infrastructure Funding Statement. Any projects listed would thus not be funded through Planning Obligations.	
Education Exclusions	All other site-specific Education requirements as identified in a site-specific assessment as part of an individual planning application.	
Other Community Infrastructure	Central Clinic Dudley Town Centre – proposed NHS health and wellbeing centre	£6,500,000.00
Other Community Infrastructure Exclusions	Community Infrastructure related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	
Heritage Infrastructure	Lye War Memorial improvements	£150,000.00
Heritage Infrastructure Exclusions	Heritage related mitigation measures required to make a development proposal satisfactory in planning terms will be excluded	

New comparison retail development at Merry Hill and Waterfront that would trigger infrastructure requirements as set out within Core Strategy policy CEN3 is to be delivered primarily through the use of Legal Agreements and not through CIL.

Where site-specific exclusions are identified, they will be subject to statutory tests set out under Regulation 122 of the Community Infrastructure Regulations 2010 (as amended), which stipulates the following: "A *Planning Obligation* may only constitute a reason for granting planning permission for the development if the obligation is:

- a) *Necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms;*
- b) *Directly related to the development; and*
- c) *Fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.*



Infrastructure Project Submission Form

Section 1 – Your organisation	
Name of organisation:	
Name of principal contact:	
Address:	
Postcode:	
Telephone:	
Email:	
Section 2: - About your Infrastructure Project	
Details of Project Title	
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Please provide brief description of the infrastructure project and the scale of the proposal	
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Please provide details of the project location and provide a relevant location plan	
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Section 3: Benefits of the Infrastructure Project	
Is the infrastructure/project consistent with strategic/local plans? For example, would the project meet the priorities of the Black Country Plan, Area Actions Plans, Dudley Borough Development Strategy? If yes, please provide full details	
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Is the project essential to support new development within Dudley?	
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Has the project been subject to any consultation and/or endorsement?	
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Section 4: Costs	
What is the total capital cost of the infrastructure/project (to include VAT)?	
Please include details of costing plans and associated phasing	

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What is the amount of funding that you are requesting (to include VAT)?

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Please could you provide evidence to justify the amount requested, please see Section 8.

Does the infrastructure/project attract match funding? If yes, please provide full details

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What is the capital funding gap?

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Have you applied for/or received any funding for this infrastructure/project from elsewhere? If yes, please provide full details

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Is there any additional funding requirement for maintenance of the infrastructure/project? If yes, please provide full details

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Section 3 - Delivery

Please can you provide a timescale for the delivery of the infrastructure/project? For example, details of when the infrastructure/project will commence and finish or if work has already started on the project?

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Would the funding request result in completion of the infrastructure/project?

Yes No

Are there any significant issues that could impact delivery? For example, land ownership, remediation, reliance on other organisations/projects?

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Does the project assist in unlocking future development? For example, does the project help bring forward a development site?

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Section 4 - Wider Benefits and implications

Has the project already benefited from stakeholder engagement? If yes, please provide full details

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Is there evidence to show that the project is meeting a local need or demand in the community? If yes, please provide full details

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Will the implementation of the project benefit the wider community? For example, create jobs, enhance community facilities?

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Would the project improve equality within the wider community? For example, would the proposal help to tackle discrimination, advance equality of opportunity or foster good relations between different protected groups? (i.e. age, disability, gender, pregnancy & maternity, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation)

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Section 6 – Do you have the necessary permission to undertake this project?

Does your project depend on permission (e.g. planning permission/complying with a planning condition) being given by any other person or organisation?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
If your project involves improvements or enhancements to land or buildings, do you have permission to do this?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

If you have answered yes to any of the above, please provide details below: -

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Section 7 - Payment of funding

Payment will depend on you providing a copy of the suppliers/contractor's invoice or receipt to evidence the cost of the infrastructure required.

With most projects payment will be made on completion of the project. Any exceptions to this will be considered on a case-by-case basis. If you require payment prior to the project's commencement/completion, please could you provide details below and justification.

Section 8 - Documents to support your application

Please could you provide the following details of the infrastructure/project:

- Description: indicating scale, nature and formal approval of the project including a location plan.
- Timescale for delivery.
- Detail of match funding or other applications relating to the project.
- Other organisations, development and plans that the project relates to.
- Evidence to justify the amount requested for the infrastructure/project. This could be a quote(s) from a reputable supplier(s) for the items requested.

Note: To comply with the Council's rules and ensure value for money, the following must be provided:

Infrastructure projects requiring up to £500 – at least one verbal quotation recorded in writing.

Infrastructure projects requiring between a value of £500 and £1,500 – at least two verbal quotations, recorded in writing

Infrastructure projects requiring between a value of £1, 500 and £5, 000 – 3 verbal quotations recorded in writing.

Infrastructure projects requiring between a value of £5,000 - £75,000 – 3 written quotations.

Section 9 – Declaration

- To the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this application is correct.
- I have enclosed all the documents requested under Section 8.
- I agree to provide any extra information that the Council may require.
- If a funding allocation is approved, I agree that the organisation will use it only for the purpose stated and understand that Council officers may inspect the goods/equipment.
- I agree to ensure that any goods/equipment funded are sufficiently insured.
- I agree that the Council's internal and external auditors have the right to inspect any related documentation.
- I agree to withdraw, modify or repay part or all of the allocation if funding is not spent in the agreed timescale or has been awarded based on misleading or inaccurate information.

Signature: _____

Position in Organisation: _____

Date: _____

Information that you provide on this form is subject to the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998. We may share this information with the general public which may include publication on the Council's website as part of the statutory requirements under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and the Community Infrastructure Regulations 2010 (as amended).

Please return this form by xxxxx together with the other requested documents to:

By email planning.policy@dudley.gov.uk

By post: Planning Services,

Appendix Two

CIL Funding Criteria for assessing infrastructure project for potential CIL allocation

Category	Criteria	Assessment
Funding	Does the Project attract match funding?	Match Funding is simply leveraging a financial commitment towards the cost of the project from a source other than and in addition to CIL funding. Additional funding can make a project more deliverable and appealing.
	Is there an additional funding requirement for maintenance of the project?	Maintenance costs to maintain a project following completion can be hefty, for instance in public realm instances. If additional on-going maintenance is required, it is unlikely that the Council would be able to fund this out of its own reserves.
	Has it been demonstrated that without CIL funding the infrastructure would not be delivered e.g. have all funding sources been explored	Preference will be given to projects where it can be demonstrated that the only guarantee of delivery is with CIL funding.
Delivery	Can the infrastructure be delivered now?	There would be no issues with land ownership or site restraints, the project would be consistent with policy and ideally have planning consent.
		Minor issues could include any of the above, but they are surmountable and there is a commitment to release the site.
		Significant issues could include; landownership issues, remediation issues, reliant on other projects, reliant on other partners, not consistent with planning policy.
Wider Benefits and implications	Are there specific implications or risks if this project does not come forward?	Strategic risks would be those that would undermine the strategy for the Borough
		A major risk would be one that prevents a specific scheme coming forward
		Minor risks of non-delivery are local and non-widespread
	Has the project already benefited from stakeholder engagement?	Early engagement allows stakeholders to influence the project & iron out potential barriers. It ensures that the potential project is serving the needs of the community and they are aware of how they can input into the project preparation or implementation.
	Will the implementation of project create new local jobs?	Infrastructure projects can provide benefits to communities and help in delivering the objectives of Council and stakeholder plans
	Is there evidence to show that the project is meeting a local need or demand?	It should be demonstrated that the project is fulfilling a need or demand and where possible that this is for the benefit of the wider community and not a select few,
Does the proposal have a positive impact on equality?	Does the proposal help to tackle discrimination or disadvantage, advance equality of opportunity or foster good relations between different protected groups? (i.e. age, disability, gender, pregnancy & maternity, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation)	
Corporate fit	Is the project consistent with strategic and local plans	Non-consistency risks non-approval and resource wastage.