



BOGNOR REGIS TOWN COUNCIL

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL)

FUNDING CRITERIA - APPENDIX A

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a charge that local authorities can set on new developments in their area. Its purpose is to raise funds for infrastructure needs in the area to support growth. Town and Parish Councils are entitled to a “Neighbourhood proportion” of CIL received by the Local Authority (Arun District Council) following development. The amount of CIL received depends on whether or not the Town or Parish Council has an adopted Neighbourhood Plan (NP). Bognor Regis Town Council, with an adopted NP receives 25% of CIL raised via development.

There are very strict guidelines on how CIL may be spent. It must be spent on: -

- a) providing, replacing, improving, operating or maintaining infrastructure that supports development in the area;
or
- b) anything else concerned with addressing the demands that development places on the area.

There are typically three broad categories of infrastructure: -

- **Physical infrastructure:** highways, transport links, cycleways, energy supply, water, flood alleviation, waste management.
- **Social infrastructure:** education, health, social care, emergency services, art and culture, sports halls, community halls.
- **Green infrastructure:** parks, woodlands, play areas, public open spaces.

CIL cannot be used for everyday expenditure or for spending on items or services which fall outside the Town and Parish Council’s remit (whether that be by statute or Power of Competence).

Under Regulation 62(A) 2(b) and (c) of the Community Infrastructure Levy Act 2010, the Town/Parish Council must provide the Local Authority with a summary of CIL expenditure each financial year detailing the items to which CIL has been applied and the amount of CIL expenditure on each item. CIL must be spent within five-years of receipt by the Town/Parish Council or returned to the Local Authority (Community Infrastructure Levy Act 2010, Regulation 59 (A), (B) and (C)).

All applicants must demonstrate that any funding provided by CIL (through the Town Council) will be of benefit to the residents of Bognor Regis.

We are asking our community to put forward project ideas that will benefit Bognor Regis. All applicants must demonstrate their application for CIL funding matches the spending criteria, as above, which will be used as a framework by the Town Council to rank projects for CIL expenditure along with the following considerations: -

Community benefit - how wide an impact the project will have for Bognor Regis and how many people might benefit.

Costs and funding - the overall cost of the project and any future expenditure it may generate, such as ongoing maintenance. Projects part-funded by the benefiting organisation or from other sources of grant funding may increase the ranking as it means more projects can be financed.

Deliverability - how practical the project is and whether there are likely to be barriers around the planning or legal aspects.

Environmental benefits - that the project offers benefits to the environment of Bognor Regis and the surrounding area and showing no negative impact.