

	<h2>Chipping Barnet Area Committee</h2> <h3>19 February 2018</h3>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Title</b></p>	<p><b>Members Items – Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Funding</b></p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Report of</b></p>	<p>Head of Governance</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Wards</b></p>	<p>Various</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Status</b></p>	<p>Public</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Urgent</b></p>	<p>No</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Key</b></p>	<p>No</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Enclosures</b></p>	<p>Appendix 1 – Photos provided by Councillor Sowerby                  Appendix 2 – Photos provided by Councillor Brayne                  Appendix 3 – Photo provided by Councillor Richard Cornelius</p>
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<h2>Summary</h2>
<p>This report informs the Area Committee of requests for CIL funding submitted by Members of the Committee. The Committee are requested to consider the information highlighted within this report and decide on its desired course of action in accordance with its powers.</p>

<h2>Recommendations</h2>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Area Committee consider the requests as highlighted in section 1 of the report.</li> <li>2. That, in respect of each request submitted, the Area Committee decide whether it wishes to:                         <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) agree the request (subject to due diligence checks) and supporting officer’s recommendation, and note the implications to the Committee’s CIL funding budget;</li> <li>(b) defer the decision for funding for further information; or</li> <li>(c) reject the application, giving reasons.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

## 1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

1.1 Requests for funding from the Committee's allocated CIL budget have been raised. The requests are as follows:


Title	Raised by (Councillor)	Ward	Member Request	Funding required (£)
Junction between Oakleigh Road North and Russell Road	Councillor Stephen Sowerby	Oakleigh	I request appropriate funding from Highways to produce a report on options to prevent congestion at the junction between Oakleigh Road North and Russell Road. Unfortunately, traffic during rush hour is using Russell Road as a cut through from Russell Lane and turning right onto Oakleigh Road North which is seriously impeding southbound traffic.	TBC
Car Park in Barnet Lane	Councillor Jess Brayne	Underhill	<p>Hadley Wood Sports Trust and Barnet Table Tennis Centre would like the car park in Barnet Lane adjacent to both facilities to be redesigned. Improvements would have great value in providing a safer environment for all users of both sites, especially young children. They would also significantly improve traffic flow along Barnet Lane, which can get grid locked at high usage times, and in the car park itself. This is a road which is often congested, and will soon be under increased pressure from traffic due to a second large school in the area, delays here push back into Mays Lane and Barnet Hill. Additionally, it would provide much better facilities for users of the adjacent park and Dollis Valley Greenwalk.</p> <p>Officers from Greenspaces have visited the site and met with representatives from Hadley Wood Sports Trust and Barnet Table Tennis Centre.</p>	£25,000

			<p>They endorsed the two groups plans and suggested funding of 25K be allocated for the work, as the site requires excavation, base course, tarmac finishing, lines and signage. Their key recommendations were that the following work should be carried out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The remove the grass verge to the right as you look into the car park adjacent to the table tennis club in order to provide two-way traffic and mark with passing bay as you near the fire escape steps. It would make sense to prioritise traffic from the road to reduce queuing on to the road.</li><li>- To straighten up the car park edge down the left-hand side adjacent to the football club, removing the grass and tarmacking the area.</li><li>- To mark the car park with parking bays around the edge and some through the middle. The car park could then be marked as a one-way system with the central bays acting like a roundabout.</li><li>- To install another access gate from the football club boundary into the car park, to prevent vehicular and pedestrian traffic mixing. This would make the site safer.</li></ul>	
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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Additionally, the two clubs have requested that if there is sufficient lighting the entrance to the car park and along the small road, given the amount of children using the site and the mixture of traffic and pedestrians this would make the site considerably safer.</li></ul> <p>To illustrate the issues with the site and to enable you to better picture the required work please find the following pictures attached:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Bottom section is the large area looking towards the Park boundary. This would release a significant area for parking and help with the suggested 'one way' circular route around the parking area.</li><li>2. Main access road is looking towards the entrance from Barnet lane and shows the grass 'verge' between the road and the Table Tennis Centre. As can be seen it is being churned up and the sewer covers are in danger of being damaged.</li><li>3. Top Section again looking towards the Park. Then removal of this would again release additional parking area or potentially allow a dropping off point for the Football facility.</li><li>4. Looking towards the</li></ol>	
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			'brook' and would straighten up the parking area.	
The Mayor of Barnet's Golden Kilometre Marked Routes	Councillor Caroline Stock	All within Chipping Barnet	<p><b><u>Application for funding from the Chipping Barnet Area Committee</u></b></p> <p>The Mayor of Barnet's Golden Kilometre (MGK) initiative was launched in 2015 aimed at encouraging primary school children to do more exercise and to inspire young people to lead healthier and more active lifestyles. The scheme asks schools to map out a 1 kilometre route around their school grounds, nearby park or open space and use this to complete a daily walk, run, skip or jog.</p> <p>Since the launch numerous agencies have become involved including: Saracens Sports Foundation, England Athletics, Barnet Public Health, Barnet School Sports Partnership and Middlesex University. Primary schools throughout the Borough are now completing the daily kilometre and secondary schools have become part of the programme.</p>	£25,000

			<p>Recently 4,000 children from Colindale, Burnt Oak and Edgware schools took part in an event where children all ran a kilometre, which indicates its success. Schemes such as the Mayor of Barnet's Golden Kilometre are essential to tackle the rise in childhood obesity and the alarming increase in adult diabetes, cancer and coronary disease all associated with being overweight.</p> <p>Middlesex University have embarked on an analysis of the effect of the MGK on children. An early study from Christchurch School clearly shows the positive effect on waist circumference. Additional benefits are the children became fitter and more active whilst also improving concentration. A larger study of the entire Underhill School is being undertaken currently. The photo below shows children from Grasvenor School running their daily kilometre around the King George V playing field. The school encourages their parents and siblings to carry on</p>	
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			<p>the programme at the weekend.</p>  <p>England Athletics have funded 1 kilometre routes around two parks: Swan Lane and Mill Hill. The routes can be used by local schools as well as the general population. For example GP's are now instructing patients to use the routes for rehabilitation programmes.</p> <p>This application is for funding (£25,000) 1 kilometre routes in at least 10 more parks and open spaces.</p>	
Double Yellow Lines at the top of Laurel View and Holden Road, Woodside Park	Councillor Richard Cornelius		Double Yellow Lines at the top of Laurel View and Holden Road, Woodside Park	£2,000
Request for council officers to look into introduction of 20mph	Councillor Barry Rawlings		Request for council officers to look into introduction of 20mph limit along Cromer Road and Shaftesbury Road EN5 and, given the proximity of the school, liaise with	TBC

limit along Cromer Road and Shaftesbury Road EN5			school representatives and local residents in order to come up with a range of options to improve road safety.	
Halos on Belisha Beacons – Totteridge Lane	Councillor Alison Cornelius	Totteridge	<p>I should like to apply to have belisha beacons with halos on, at the existing zebra crossing situated on Totteridge Lane between the bridge over Dollis Brook and Longland Drive.</p> <p>Totteridge Lane is quite dark at that point, especially in the winter when there is a mist. Numerous residents have expressed their concerns to all three Councillors as well as the Totteridge Residents Association.</p> <p>Cars speed down the hill coming from both directions, High Road, Whetstone and from Totteridge Green, especially when it is dark and there is less traffic. The crossing needs to be visible as there have been several accidents. Halos were suggested by the Strategic Director Environment as a remedy.</p>	TBC

## 2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 As identified above Members of the Council have requested that the Committee consider requests for CIL funding. In line with guidance for Members' route to support applications for CIL funding, the Committee is asked to determine the desired course of action.
- 2.2 CIL funding can be used to fund a wide range of infrastructure [section 216\(2\) of the Planning Act 2008](#), and [regulation 59](#), as amended) to support the development of a local area. The Act specifically names roads and transport, flood defences, schools and education facilities, medical facilities and recreational facilities; but is not restrictive. Therefore, the definition can extend



to allow the levy to fund a very broad range of facilities provided they are 'infrastructure'.

- 2.3 Further examples are: play areas, parks and green spaces, cultural and sports facilities, district heating schemes, police stations and community safety facilities. The flexibility in how the funds can be applied is designed to give local areas the opportunity to choose the infrastructure they need to deliver their Local Plan.
- 2.4 Guidance states that the levy is intended to focus on the provision of new infrastructure and should not be used to remedy pre-existing deficiencies in infrastructure provision, unless those deficiencies will be made more severe by new development. Therefore, if funds are intended to be used to address existing deficiencies, it is recommended that funds are used to either increase the capacity of existing infrastructure or to repair failing existing infrastructure, where it is recognised as necessary to support development in the area.
- 2.5 Guidance states that local authorities must allocate at least 15% of levy receipts to spend on priorities that should be agreed with the local community in areas where development is taking place. Therefore, a decision was made to honour the provision of a 15% contribution to each of the Council's Area Committee.
- 2.6 Applications relating to requests should be made to this Area Committee via Members' Items as outlined in the Council's Constitution. In line with guidance, applications submitted by Members should receive an initial assessment by an appropriate Officer, and should be accompanied by a recommendation (i.e. that the Committee should support or refuse the application).
- 2.7 At its meeting on 8 March 2017 the Community Leadership Committee received a report in relation to Area Committee Funding – Savings from non-Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) budgets
- 2.8 Therefore, this Committee is informed that it no longer has non-CIL funding Area Committee budget funding decision making powers.
- 2.9 Members are further informed that it has retained the power to discharge CIL-related environmental infrastructure projects and therefore has joint budget responsibility across the Area Committees which can be spent in 2017/18. Furthermore, it is noted that any request can be considered only by this Committee if it is in line with its terms of reference as contained in the Council's Constitution.

### **3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED**

- 3.1 Not applicable; Members of the Council are able to submit applications for non-CIL funding to the Area Committee Budgets via Members' Items. As a result, the Committee are requested to consider the Ward Members request and determine. Therefore, no other recommendation is provided from Officers.

#### **4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION**

- 4.1 Post decision implementation depends on the decision taken by the Committee, and the assessing officer's recommendation.

#### **5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION**

##### **5.1 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)**

- 5.1.1 The Committee has an allocated budget from which it can award funds to Area Committee grant applications. Any allocation of funds will be assessed by Officers as outlined on page 2 of this report.

- 5.1.2 The Committee is able to award funding of up to £25,000 for Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Funding. Requests for funding must be in line with the Council's priorities which are outlined in the Corporate Plan 2015 – 2020.

##### **5.2 Social Value**

- 5.2.1 Requests for Area Committee budget funding provide an avenue for Members to give consideration to funding requests which may have added social value.

##### **5.3 Legal and Constitutional References**

- 5.3.1 Council Constitution, states that any Member, within the Area Constituency, will be permitted to have one matter only (with no sub-items) on the agenda for an Area Committee where the Member is sponsoring an application to an Area Committee Budget. Members' Items sponsoring an application to the Area Committee Budget must be submitted 10 clear working days before the meeting. Items received after that time will only be dealt with at the meeting if the Chairman agrees they are urgent.

##### **5.4 Risk Management**

- 5.4.1 None in the context of this report.

##### **5.5 Equalities and Diversity**

- 5.5.1 Requests for Funding allow Members of a Committee to bring a wide range of issues to the attention of a Committee in accordance with the Council's Constitution. All of these issues must be considered for their equalities and diversity implications.

##### **5.6 Consultation and Engagement**

- 5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

#### **6. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 6.1 Meeting of the Community Leadership Committee 8 March 2016 Area Committee Funding – Savings from non- Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) budgets:  
<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s38413/Area%20Committee%20Funding%20Savings%20from%20non-%20Community%20Infrastructure%20Levy%20CIL%20budgets.pdf>
- 6.2 Review of Area Committees – operations and delegated budgets (24/06/2015):  
<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s24009/Area%20Committees%20%20Community%20Leadership%20Committee%2025%20June%202015%20-%20FINAL.pdf>