



## Hendon Area Committee

Date

19<sup>th</sup> March 2019

<b>Title</b>	<b>Member's Item – Application for Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Funding</b>
<b>Report of</b>	Head of Governance
<b>Wards</b>	Hendon, Edgware, West Hendon, Colindale
<b>Status</b>	Public
<b>Urgent</b>	No
<b>Key</b>	No
<b>Enclosures</b>	None
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### Summary

This report informs the Hendon Area Committee that five requests for CIL funding have been submitted. The Committee are requested to consider the information highlighted within this report and make a determination on its desired course of action in accordance with its powers.

### Officers Recommendations

1. That the Area Committee consider the request as highlighted in section 1 of the report.
2. That the Area Committee decide whether it wishes to:
3. (a) agree the request and note the implications to the Committee's CIL funding

**budget;**  
**(b) defer the decision for funding for further information; or**  
**(c) reject the application, giving reasons.**

## 1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

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

Title	Two Table Tennis Tables for Sunny Hill Park
Raised by (Councillor)	Councillor Nizza Fluss
Ward	Hendon
Member Request	Request for the installation of two all-weather table tennis tables in Sunny Hill Park. This will complement the existing activities available for people of all ages at the park. Residents and park users have expressed a strong interest in having table tennis tables. There is ample room to the right of the café for the tables.
Funding Required (£)	Approximately £10,000

Title	Improve traffic flow along Edgwarebury Lane
Raised by (Councillor)	Councillor Sarah Wardle
Ward	Edgware
Member Request	Study to identify ways to improve traffic flow along Edgwarebury Lane between the junction of Fairview Way and Station Road/Hale Lane.
Funding Required (£)	£3,000

Title	St Josephs Grove Double Yellow Lines
Raised by (Councillor)	Councillor Mark Shooter
Ward	Hendon

Member Request	St. Josephs Grove, NW4 need double yellow lines on one side. Currently during school pick up it is impossible for cars to pass and there are major traffic jams caused. This is an urgent request.
Funding Required (£)	TBC

Title	Remove parking bay in Brent Street
Raised by (Councillor)	Councillor Alex Prager
Ward	West Hendon
Member Request	<p>Removal of one parking bay, to be replaced by double yellow line. Extension of parking bay opposite to increase capacity.</p> <p>There are currently two parallel parking bays which restricts traffic to just one-way as two cars cannot pass. If one of the bays was replaced by a double-yellow line, and the other bay extended by 1 parking space in the direction towards Brent Street, this would allow two-way traffic, and would only lose one parking space (it is anyway not situated in front of any residence).</p>
Funding Required (£)	£3,000

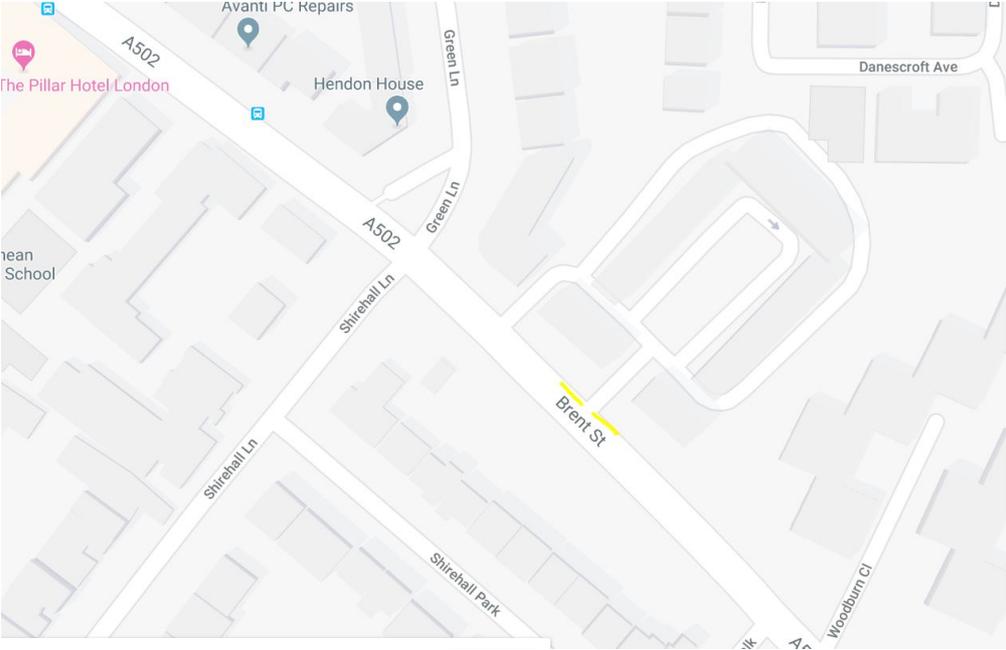
Title	Adjustment to traffic signals at the junction of A41 Watford Way with Station Road, West Hendon.		
Raised by (Councillor)	Councillor Saira Don		
Ward	West Hendon		
Member Request	<p>For Traffic officers to work with TfL to design an adjustment to the operation of the traffic signals at the junction of the A41 Watford Way with Station Road, West Hendon. This would make changes so that the pedestrian crossing of the left turn slip road from Station Road onto the A41 is only called if there is pedestrian demand.</p> <p>This should allow left turning traffic to turn if there is no pedestrian demand when other traffic conditions permit.</p> <p>The anticipated costs of this work would be £8k.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="450 1980 1193 2024"> <tr> <td>Draw up the proposal (including details of</td> <td>£3k</td> </tr> </table>	Draw up the proposal (including details of	£3k
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	necessary changes to the signal heads and any consequent changes to road markings).	
	Produce estimated cost of any non-signal related elements	
	Liaise with TfL, provide details and raise order to permit signals design.	
	Report back to a future committee	
	TfL charge for signals design and estimate of works (cost off-set against final scheme cost).	£5k
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£8k</b>
	<p>The junction is on the A41 which is part of the Transport for London Road network and normally TfL would be responsible for a scheme here. However they have indicated that, while they would not take forward this scheme themselves, they would not object to the borough promoting a scheme at the junction.</p> <p>TfL signals engineers have advised, based on the basic outline of the proposal provided to them so far, that detailed modelling of the proposal should not be required to meet TfL's requirements. It is anticipated that the physical works required would be chiefly changes to the signal heads and operation/control, without significant excavation.</p> <p>This eliminates the more expensive elements of a signals scheme, so while implementation costs for the scheme are not known at this stage it is thought that it would be within the £25k Area Committee budget limit.</p>	
Funding Required (£)	Approximately £8,000	

Title	Mill Hill Town Square – Information Displays
Raised by (Councillor)	Councillor Val Duschinsky
Ward	Mill Hill

Member Request	<p>This request is to provide a post mounted outdoor display notice board (see attached) for the Town Square in The Broadway Mill Hill, such that we can keep local residents better informed of upcoming events in the Town Square and local Schools, Churches etc. While Social Media reaches many, we find that many local residents prefer the printed form and while it is too expensive to continually print and distribute flyers for events, it is reasonable that they expect to be informed and this notice board will hugely increase the flow of information, which is designed to increase footfall in our Town Centre.</p> <p>The cost for the outdoor notice boards approximately £1172.40 The remaining £698.60 is to cover the costs of installation.</p> <p>Please note that we are also in dialogue with The Project Manager for Drinking Fountains at the GLA about getting a Drinking Fountain in the Town Square with bottle fill facility and hose for watering the plants in the planters. We hope this can be covered under a similar scheme as run last year from the mayor's Office with Thames Water, using Affinity Water to fund it, install, clean and maintain it for 25 Years.</p>
Funding Required (£)	Approximate £1700

Title	Bunns Lane Bridge yellow lines, NW7
Raised by (Councillor)	Councillor Golnar Bokaei
Ward	Mill Hill
Member Request	To investigate the parking issues at Bunns Lane Bridge and request for double yellow lines under the Railway Bridge on Bunns Lane, NW7.
Funding Required (£)	TBC

Title	Yellow Line junction of Brent Street and Danescroft Flats
Raised by (Councillor)	Councillor Anthony Finn
Ward	Hendon
Member Request	<p>Creation of a yellow line at the junction of Brent Street and the Danescroft flats (see lines drawn in yellow on map below).</p> <p>Cars parked on Brent Street in the highlighted area below (i.e. right up to the junction) block the vision of drivers emerging from the Danescroft flats (circa 64 flats) onto Brent Street.</p> 
Funding Required (£)	£2500

## 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 (as outlined in 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. This is capped at £150k per committee per year.
- 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 Members should note that the committee has the power to discharge CIL-related environmental infrastructure projects and therefore has joint budget responsibility across the Area Committees which can be spent in 2018/19. 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 Corporate Priorities and Performance**

- 5.1.1 The funding enables the Area Committee Budgets to contribute to Barnet's 2024 Corporate Plan objective to promote a pleasant, well maintained borough that we protect and invest in, by keeping the borough moving, including improvements to roads and pavements, getting the best of out of our parks by looking after and investing in our greenspaces and investing in community facilities to support a growing population.

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

- 5.2.1 The Committee has an allocated budget for **Barnet Community** Infrastructure Levy (CIL) from which it can award funds to Area Committee grant applications. Any allocation of funds will be assessed by Officers.
- 5.2.2 The Committee is able to award funding of up to £25,000 per project for CIL **Funding**. Requests for funding must be in line with the Council's priorities which are outlined in the Corporate Plan 2015 – 2020.

##### **5.3 Social Value**

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

##### **5.4 Legal and Constitutional References**

- 5.4.1 Council Constitution, Article 7, Section 7.5 Responsibility for Functions details that the Area Committee is responsible for determining the allocation of Community Infrastructure Levy funding within the constituency up to a maximum of £25,000 per scheme/project in each case subject to sufficient of the budget being allocated to the Committee being unspent.
- 5.4.2 Council Constitution, Article 2 Members of the Council, Section 2.3 states any Member 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. Member's 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.

## 5.5 Risk Management

5.5.1 None in the context of this report.

## 5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.6.1 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.

## 5.7 Corporate Parenting

5.7.1 None in the context of this report.

## 5.8 Consultation and Engagement

5.8.1 None in the context of this report.

## 5.8 Insight

5.8.2 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>