



Hendon Area Committee

27 October 2021

Title	Members Items – Road Safety & Parking Fund Requests
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	Various within Hendon
Status	Public
Urgent	No
Key	No
Enclosures	None
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Summary

This report informs the Hendon Area Committee that the Road Safety & Parking fund requests listed under section 1 have been submitted. 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.

Officers Recommendations

1. That the Area Committee notes the Road Safety & Parking fund requests submitted under section 1 of the report.
2. That the Committee refer the item(s) under section 1 of the report to the Executive Director for Environment for consideration of the request.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

1.1 The following Road Safety & Parking fund requests have been submitted for initial consideration at the Area Committee:

Title	Traffic issues at the Cool Oak Lane intersection with the A5
Raised by (Councillor):	Helene Richman
Ward:	West Hendon
Member Request:	Traffic issues at the Cool Oak Lane intersection with the A5.
Please describe which Road Safety/Parking issue:	<p>Many residents have been vociferous in their demands for effective traffic control at this intersection. It is a matter which has been raised for some time, I have raised it myself, but nothing has been done. It is a dangerous corner and must be addressed urgently.</p> <p>I look forward to hearing from you and seeing steps taken to resolve matters asap.</p>
<p>Please provide any assessment of the issue received from Highways Officers which will assist with this application:</p> <p>Officer (NAME) On (DATE):</p>	<p>Highway Traffic Engineers have advised that they are not aware of any recent speed surveys that have been conducted in these roads but do understand that surveys may have been carried out in roads in the area as part of the outline planning application for West Hendon, however this would have been approximately 8 years ago. accident records indicate there have been no recorded personal injury accidents in the area from Russell Road in the last 3 years to March 2021 (the most recent information currently available).</p> <p>According to our records there have been 2 personal injury accidents in Cool Oak Lane for the same time period. These are recorded as occurring on the stretch between the bridge and the junction with Wool mead Avenue, and are self-reported, meaning the information we have about how they occurred is limited.</p>

	<p>Four collisions have occurred at the junction of A5 with Cool Oak Lane, and all of the accidents are categorised as 'slight'.</p> <p>You could also consider submitting this issue as a road safety request to the Lead Officer for the Hendon Area Committee for further consideration and investigation</p> <p>Recognise that as part of the discussions around the redevelopment of the west Hendon playing fields, we ask for Re Highways to consider and review the viability of introducing crossing points along Cool Oak Lane especially in the vicinity of the Welsh Harp and also review the issue of speeding traffic and collisions along Cool Oak Lane.</p>
<p>Any additional information (please list any documents here to be published with the agenda, or circulated to the Committee):</p>	

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.2 The Policy & Resources Committee were requested by the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee in February and October 2020 to review and clarify the current CIL Funding Policy and Eligibility Guidelines.
- 1.3 On 8th February 2021 the Policy & Resources Committee set out an expectation of an increase to the amount of CIL funding available to Area Committees which would come into effect during the 2021/22 financial year
- 1.4 At its meeting on 24th May 2021, the Policy and Resources Committee agreed CIL funding for Road Safety & Parking Fund of up to £300,000 per annum for schemes to be authorised by the Executive Director for Environment. The Committee also agreed the Road Safety & Parking Funding guidelines, the new Road Safety & Parking Fund Request Forum and the removal of the funding limit for a CIL scheme approved by an Area Committee.
- 1.5 The Road Safety & Parking Fund will be managed by the Executive Director for Environment and managed borough wide.
- 1.6 Road Safety and Parking issues may be submitted by Ward Members to the Executive Director, Environment using the Road Safety & Parking fund request form. Members have the option to discuss a Road Safety and Parking issue at

Area Committee as a member's item. If Committee agree, the item will be referred to the Executive Director for Environment to take the request forward.

- 1.7 All Road Safety and Parking issues should be referred through this proposed process (either directly issuing the request to the Executive Director for Environment or referring the item following discussion at an Area Committee).
- 1.8 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a planning charge that was introduced by the Planning Act 2008 Part II to help deliver infrastructure to support the development in an area. CIL is a standard charge collected from developers on a rate per square metre basis and the funds raised are spent on infrastructure to support the development of an area. Part of CIL funding is allocated to the Neighbourhood Portion and managed by the three Area Committees for Finchley & Golders Green, Hendon and Chipping Barnet.
- 1.9 For schemes approved by Area Committee for funding above £50,000 these are recognised as more complex to deliver. The relevant Executive Director will ensure the appointment of a senior Council Officer to sponsor the scheme and the coordination of Council services, ensure the appropriate project methodology is adhered to, with the scheme set up for a successful delivery. It is recognised that these schemes may deliver outside of the financial year in which they are approved.

2. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 2.1 Not applicable; Members of the Council are able to submit requests for Road Safety & Parking Fund to the Executive Director for Environment and have the option to discuss a Road Safety and Parking issue at Area Committee as a member's item.

3. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 3.1 Post decision implementation depends on the referral made by the Committee and the decision taken by the Executive Director for Environment. To ensure transparency relating on decisions taken by the Executive Director, Environment using delegated powers, there will be a report back to each Area Committee meeting to update Members and residents on the progress of the various road safety and parking issues, including an update on the budget.
- 3.2 The Executive Director, Environment operating within delegated statutory responsibilities will review the referred issues, consider the options available and make a decision. The decision may be a technical solution or a decision to

take no action. The Executive Director, Environment will set out the rationale to explain if no resolution is decided on.

4. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

4.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

4.1.1 The Community Infrastructure Levy funding supports the delivery of the Corporate Plan objectives: A pleasant, well maintained borough that we protect and invest in Getting the best out of our parks and improving air quality by looking after and investing in our greenspaces Investing in community facilities to support a growing population, such as schools and leisure centres.

4.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

4.2.1 Starting in 2021/22, a CIL funded Road Safety & Parking Fund is implemented, with an allocation of £300,00 per annum for each financial year. The fund will be managed by the Executive Director for Environment and managed borough wide.

4.3 Social Value

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

4.4 Legal and Constitutional References

4.4.1 Council Constitution, Article 7, Section 7.5 Responsibility for Functions states that the Area Committee has responsibility for all constituency specific matters relating to the street scene including parking, road safety, transport, allotments, parks and trees.

4.4.2 Council Constitution, Article 2 Members of the Council, Section 2.3 states that a Ward Member will be permitted to have one matter only (with no subitems) on the agenda for an Area Committee where the Member is submitting a request for CIL funding to an Area Committee Budget relating to their Ward. Members' Items for CIL funding 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.

4.5 Risk Management

4.5.1 None in the context of this report.

4.6 Equalities and Diversity

4.6.1 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.

4.7 Corporate Parenting

4.7.1 None in the context of this report.

4.8 Consultation and Engagement

4.8.1 Prior to submitting a Road Safety & Parking Members request, Ward Members are encouraged to consult with Highways through the Area Committee Lead Officers on the specific issue. This allows the Highways team to assess the issue, review potential options and advise if there is a technical solution to the issue.

5 Insight

5.1 During the consultation phase with Officers, Members may wish to use any relevant insight data applicable to the request.

6 BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 Meeting of the Community Leadership Committee, 24 June 2015, Review of Area Committees – operations and delegated budgets:
<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s24009/Area%20Committees%20%20Community%20Leadership%20Committee%2025%20June%202015%20-%20FINAL.pdf>

6.2 Policy & Resources Committee, 9 July 2015, 'Delegating a proportion of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) income to the Council's Area Committees'
<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=692&MId=8346&Ver=4>

6.3 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>

- 6.4 Policy & Resources Committee, 8 February 2021, Review of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Eligibility Criteria and Guidance
<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=692&MId=10200&Ver=4>
- 6.5 Policy & Resources Committee, 24 May 2021, Review of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Eligibility Criteria and Guidance
<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=692&MId=10201&Ver=4>