

## Appendix G

### Recommendations

#### Key considerations

- 1 The CIL Spending Board's key considerations will be whether there is a public benefit of the proposed scheme for residents in Sevenoaks District and whether the scheme constitutes value for money. In determining this, the spending board will consider the following issues in making its recommendation.
  - Whether sufficient evidence has been provided to demonstrate a strong social, environmental or economic justification for the scheme.
  - Whether sufficient evidence has been provided to demonstrate a strong link between new development and the scheme.
  - Whether sufficient evidence has been submitted to show that the project involves partnership working.
  - Whether the scheme forms part of a planned, local, economic or community strategy to address the need for local or strategic infrastructure.
  - Whether sufficient evidence has been provided to show the clear public benefit to the scheme.
  - Whether sufficient evidence has been provided to show that other sources of funding have been maximised.
  - Whether there is sufficient certainty that the scheme will be delivered, including considering whether the project has all the necessary permissions in place and evidence has been provided to demonstrate that there are sufficient maintenance arrangements in place.
  - Whether the scheme has local support.
  - Whether the project has already benefited from CIL funding through the CIL Spending Board or the Parish and Town Councils.
  - Whether overall the scheme provides benefit to the community as a whole.
- 2 The board may also take into account other factors that it considers relevant.
- 3 As members are aware on this occasion there is limited CIL funding available for the Board to allocate on this occasion, however from 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021 there is now enough to cover all the projects. The Board however still needs to be convinced that each project is an appropriate use of CIL money and that it is infrastructure supports development in their area and represents good value for money.

### Types of recommendation:

- 4 The board may make the following recommendations to Cabinet for it to ratify:
  - A. Funding for the scheme is approved subject to a legal agreement being entered into. If no legal agreement is entered into, within 6 months the bid will be reported back to the CIL Spending Board to be reconsidered.
  - B. Funding for the scheme is secured and set aside for this project. The funding will be paid upon the completion of a legal agreement and when planning permission is granted for the project. If planning permission is not granted, the bid will be reported back to the CIL Spending Board to be reconsidered.
  - C. Funding for the scheme is secured and set aside for this project. The funding will be paid upon the completion of a legal agreement and when all the funding sources laid out in the submission documents have been secured. If not all the funding is secured, within 1 year, the bid will be reported back to the CIL Spending Board to be reconsidered.
  - D. Funding for the scheme is not approved on the basis that other proposed schemes have been given greater priority.
  - E. Funding for the scheme is not approved on the basis that insufficient evidence has been provided to justify it.
  - F. A decision of the provision of funding a scheme is deferred. It is considered that further evidence is required to fully show the benefits of the scheme.
  - G. A decision of the provision of funding for a scheme is deferred. It is considered that further evidence is required to indicate whether the project is viable.
- 5 These recommendations should give bidders an indication of whether they should consider bidding for this scheme again and what additional information, if anything, should be provided with any resubmission.

## Recommendations to the CIL Spending Board

- 6 Within each report, Officers have made a recommendation to approve or refuse funding for each individual project put forward. This is purely to reflect whether they meet the criteria by which Officers assess the bids under.
- 7 However, it should be noted that Members have the option to arrive at a different conclusion from the Officer's recommendations in each individual report. Members are reminded of the types of recommendations which are available to them, as set out in paragraph 5 of this Appendix.
- 8 That it be recommended to Cabinet that:
  - A. The £158, 000 applied for, as set out in the report, for sports hall and facilities at the Orchards Academy sports and Hall facilities at Swanley be approved on the following grounds:
    - Strong social and economic benefits to the community
    - The project is identified in an adopted strategy/plan
    - Strong link between new development and the scheme
    - Strong community benefits
    - Strong community support for the project.
  - B. The £117, 380 applied for, as set out in the report, for scheme "Kemsing Surgery Extension" be approved on the following grounds:
    - Strong social benefit to the community
    - There is evidence to show partnership working
    - Sufficient information has been submitted to show that the scheme will be delivered as planning permission has been granted.
    - The project is identified in an adopted strategy/plan
    - Strong link between new development and the scheme
    - Clear public benefit
    - Vital community benefits
    - There is community support for the project.
  - C. The £49,507.50 applied for, as set out in the report, for scheme "Otford Road traffic scheme" be approved on the following ground:
    - Strong economic, social and environmental benefits to the community
    - The project is identified in an adopted strategy/plan

- Strong evidence has been submitted to demonstrate a strong link between new development and the scheme
- Strong local support

D. The £1,500 000 applied for, as set out in the report, for scheme “Creation of playing fields and other sports facilities” be approved on the following ground:

- Strong social and environmental benefits to the community
- There is evidence to show partnership working
- The project is identified in an adopted strategy/plan
- Strong link between new development and the scheme
- Clear public benefit
- Strong community benefits
- There is community support for the project.

E. The £15,000 applied for, as set out in the report, for scheme “Weald Memorial Hall maintenance and renovations” be approved on the following ground:

- Strong economic, social and environmental benefits to the community;
- There is strong community support of the scheme.
- Clear community benefit
- There is sufficient certainty the scheme will be delivered.

F. The £200, 000 applied for, as set out in the report, for scheme “Refurbishment of Knockholt Village Centre” be refused on the following ground:

- Funding for the scheme is not approved on the basis that other proposed schemes have been given greater priority;

Principal Criteria not met:

- Insufficient evidence has been submitted to justify economic need.
- Insufficient evidence to show strong partnership working.
- Insufficient evidence has been provided to show that funding has been maximised.