

Fittleworth Parish Council CIL Priority Spending Plans 2024-25– prepared by Parish Clerk, Rachel Gorvin, for discussion at the Full Council Meeting on Monday 20th November 2023

In addition to the Revenue budget, Councillors need to consider the allocation of S106 and CIL contributions. The CIL EMR is currently £61118.66, held in the FPC Nat West Saver account.

As set out in the CIL Regulations, parishes can spend their money on ‘*the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure*’ or ‘*anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area*’. The CIL officer at SDNP has confirmed that Consultancy Fees to progress projects would meet these definitions.

Currently we have 2 active awards that the parish have committed match funding to of £1650 but have not made budget provision for.

14/10/2023	LH01 (154)	Heathland Restoration (Hesworth)	-1500
14/10/2023	LH02 (155)	Tree Planting (Birchwalks)	-150

There are 2 submitted CIL bids to be decided later this year, that if awarded the parish will need to match fund up to £67300.

31/03/2023	WCR04 (153)	New Swan Green	27300
31/03/2023	22/23 (315)	Fittleworth Serpent Trail Improvements	40000

The CIL funding could in addition be used to ‘seed’ fund the Community Hub Project. Outline plans have been drawn up and at the Public Consultation in May 2023, those attending were overwhelmingly in support of this project. The Community Hub Working Group now seeks funding to progress the project to the next stage – costings and detailed plans. This could come from CIL EMR.

Appendix 1 shows the status of submitted CIL bids to SDNP.

Appendix 2 shows the potential projects that could be funded from CIL monies held by Fittleworth Parish Council

Councillors will note that the proposed £83k potential spend is more than the £61k we have so far received in CIL monies. So, when we get the results of our Bids (if we are successful with all of them), we may need to prioritise the order that we do things in and what we spend the money on.

The proposal is for Councillors to resolve to allocate CIL funds to projects in order of priority.

Any questions on the draft budget and CIL spending are welcomed, however please can these be submitted in advance of the Full Council meeting on 20th November to allow the Clerk to investigate and prepare answers.

Appendix 1

Fittleworth Parish Council - Status of CIL Bids										
Date	Reference	Project	Bid Value	Parish Contribution	Bid status	Amount awarded	Date of award	Deadline to spend	Amount O/s	Spent
31/01/2021	LH01 (154)	Heathland Restoration (Hesworth)	9000	1500	Awarded	9000	Oct-21	31/10/2024	5749	3251
31/01/2021	LH02 (155)	Tree Planting (Birchwalks)	1500	150	Awarded	1500	Oct-21	31/10/2024	1500	0
	WCR01 (149)	Gateways and Whiteline removal	3750	0	Withdrawn					
	WCR04 (153)	New Swan Green	97500	27300	Pending					
	22/23 (315)	Fittleworth Serpent Trail Improvements	120000	40000	Pending					
			231750	68950		10500			7249	3251

Appendix 2

Fittleworth Parish Council S106 and CIL Proposed Spending Plan			
	2024-25	What needs funding	Where it comes from
Income/Expenditure			
S.106	4000	TRO on The Fleet if CHS bid unsuccessful	Limbourne Lane S106 £4000 available but not claimed yet.
FPC Contribution	40000	FPC match funding for Serpent Trail Improvements if CIL bid 22/23 (315) of £120,000 is successful	From £61K Limbourne Lane CIL funds
FPC Contribution	27300	FPC match funding for New Swan Green if CIL bid WCR01 of £97500 is successful	From £61K Limbourne Lane CIL funds
FPC Contribution	10000	Seed funding for Community Hub	From £61K Limbourne Lane CIL funds
FPC Contribution	1500	FPC Contribution for Heathland Restoration LH01 (154) £9000 awarded 2021, to be spent by October 2024.	From £61K Limbourne Lane CIL funds
FPC Contribution	500	FPC Contribution for Birchwalks Wood Tree Planting LH02 (155) £1500 awarded 2021, to be spent by October 2024.	From £61K Limbourne Lane CIL funds
Total Income/Expenditure	83300		