

## **Hambleton District Council**

**Report To:** Cabinet

**Date:** 5 April 2022

**Subject:** **Community Infrastructure Levy Spending Priorities**

**Portfolio Holder:** Planning  
Councillor D A Webster

**Wards Affected:** All Wards

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### **1.0 Purpose and Background**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Cabinet on the Community Infrastructure Levy expenditure set for 2022-23 and to update the priorities in the light of progress with the committed schemes and funding.

### **2.0 Background**

2.1 On 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020 Cabinet approved a proposal for Community Infrastructure Levy funding priorities (minute number CA.72). The decision allocated spending of the available £4,229,615 that had been accumulated since first Community Infrastructure Levy receipts in 2015/16. £2M was previously committed to the creation of a new North Northallerton Primary School (see Annex A). Subsequently Cabinet on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021 (minute number CA.27) set priorities in anticipation of a further £850,000 Community Infrastructure Levy funding becoming available during the two years 2021/22 and 2022/23 (see Annex B that shows the revised sums including the anticipated additional funding).

2.2 The following table gives an overview of the progress with the 5 schemes that were identified for funding by Cabinet on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and the expectation that they will draw down the funding that has been identified by the end of 2022-23.

**Table 1**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Current status</b>	<b>Confidence to draw down funds in 2022-23</b>
Bedale 3G pitch	Feasibility work commenced	High
Sowerby 3G pitch and changing facilities	Scheme commenced but the cost of the changing accommodation has increased	High
Northallerton Sports Village	Scheme approved and awaiting transfer of land which could be achieved in summer 2022.	Medium

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Current status</b>	<b>Confidence to draw down funds in 2022-23</b>
Aiskew Community Hall	Scheme identified and project team established. Officers due to meet again with the Parish Council and those in the project team to progress the scheme.	Low/medium
Easingwold Market Place footways and accessibility	Scheme designed and costed and local consultation is to be undertaken.	Medium

### 3.0 Future Priorities:

3.1 Since the 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021 Cabinet report further Community Infrastructure Levy funds have been received and the projected value of contributions (after the 15% Parish Council and 5% admin elements) to be received by end of March 2023 is £1.229M. Spending on projects by the end of 2021-22 is estimated to be £202,000 on Bedale 3G pitch (£2,200) and Sowerby Sports Village including 3G pitch (£200,000). This is a change from the figures quoted in September 2021 as projected spend has been delayed. This, therefore, leaves £229,039 to be distributed.

3.2 The priorities schemes described above will continue to build community capacity to accommodate new developments and create facilities where significant new development has and will take place and should therefore continue to be supported. However, slight amendments are proposed to the sums previously agreed in paragraph 2.1 above. The reason for this is a change in costings of schemes. The previously agreed position and the amendments now proposed are set out in the table below. As the final total value of funding available by March 2023 is not, and cannot be known, at this time funding should be allocated upto the funding limit.

Table 2.

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Funding Approved in September 2021</b>	<b>Proposed Revised Funding</b>
Bedale 3G pitch	Provision of 3G pitch	£250,000 (£2,200 spent)	£247,800
Sowerby 3G pitch and changing facilities	Provision of 3G pitch and changing facilities at the Sowerby Sports Village	£500,000 (£200,000 spent)	£300,000
Northallerton Sports Village	Creation of sports facilities as approved	£250,000	£250,000
Aiskew Community Hall	Construction of a community hall in the centre of Aiskew to serve the community	£100,000	£114,520

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Easingwold Market Place footways and accessibility	Improvements to existing footways to increase the accessibility of the Market Place particularly by people with mobility difficulties	£100,000	£114,520

#### **4.0 Link to Council Priorities**

- 4.1 Community Infrastructure Levy supports the provision of key projects identified in the Council Plan under the priority of ‘Enhancing Health and Wellbeing’. Provision of improved community facilities also enhances the vibrancy and the attractiveness of the area to residents and visitors. The schemes will contribute to the aim of ‘Providing a Special Place to Live’ and will also help to ‘Drive Economic Vitality’. The Council plays a major role in improving public health and wellbeing, and the continued improvement of facilities will help to improve and promote the physical and mental activity needs of the local population.
- 4.2 The distribution of Community Infrastructure Levy funding to the sports, leisure and recreation schemes will support the provision and improvement of community facilities for growing communities. This closely relates to Council priorities, additionally the schemes are in accessible locations to large proportions of the district’s population.

#### **5.0 Risk Assessment**

- 5.1 There are no significant risks associated with this report

#### **6.0 Financial Implications**

- 6.1 There are no financial implications to the Council by following the recommendation of this report.
- 6.2 The sums received from developers are held for expenditure on CIL projects and are not part of the Council’s funds.

#### **7.0 Legal Implications**

- 7.1 Agreements will be required with town and parish councils to ensure that any funds provided are spent for the approved purposes.
- 7.2 The Council will need to follow the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations as amended to ensure that the proper legal procedures continue to be adhered to. The arrangements for the management of CIL monies as noted above may require legal mechanisms between the Council and any delivery partners.

## **8.0 Equality/Diversity Issues**

8.1 Equality and Diversity Issues have been considered however there are no issues associated with this report.

## **9.0 Recommendation**

9.1 That Cabinet approves that Community Infrastructure Levy funds be distributed to infrastructure projects as set out at Paragraph 3.2 Table 2 of the report.

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**Background papers:** None  
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Funds committed at Cabinet on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Funding approved in September 2020</b>
North Northallerton Primary School	Creation of a new single form entry primary school within the North Northallerton Development Area	£2,000,000
Thirsk and Sowerby Leisure Centre	To improve the health and fitness offer at the centre	£1,034,860
Sowerby Sports Village	Sports pitch and changing facilities	£517,403
Northallerton Sports Village	Sports pitch provision, trim trails, paths and cycleway, allotments, wetland, tree planting 3G pitch and changing facilities	£310,442
Bedale Leisure Centre	To improve the health and fitness offer at the centre	£206,961

Funds committed at Cabinet on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Funding approved in September 2021</b>
Bedale	A range of Bedale leisure improvements including the 3G pitch to prime the Football Foundation (FF) funding bid. If the FF funding is not available or the commissioned feasibility study shows it "not viable" funds can be released for the other priorities	25% up to £250K
Sowerby	Sports Village developments including the 3G pitch changing facilities and site infrastructure. Football Foundation decision due October 2021, expect to get the funding for the 3G but grant will not be provided for the changing accommodation. Additional funding is therefore required for the changing accommodation. If all the funding is not required it is to be released for the other priorities.	25% up to £250K
Northallerton	Sports Village funds. Will require significant funding, currently has no additional funding. If all the funding is not required it is to be released for the other priorities.	20% up to £250K
Aiskew	Community Hall, on charity own land, Aiskew PC will receive 15% CIL funding arising from residential development in the parish, additional bids can be made to Big Lottery etc. CIL priority funding is appropriate to increase the likelihood of success of the project. If all the funding is not required it is to be released for the other priorities.	15% up to £100K
Easingwold	Review the case for funding improvements to important footways within and leading to the town centre.	15% up to £200K