

Worthing Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund

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What is the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)?

- Charge on developers for building new developments, such as houses
- Introduced by Worthing BC in October 2015 to help pay towards delivering infrastructure improvements
- 15% of all receipts must be spent in the neighbourhood where the development took place
- First round of funding ran in 2021, with 10 successful groups
- Second round of funding ran in 2023, with 45 successful groups



Who would be eligible to apply?

- For community groups, local charities or resident associations to 'bid' for funding to deliver projects
- Must be constituted, have bank account and relevant policies / insurance
- Encourage 'joint bids'
- The expectation is that projects which receive CIL funding in 2024 will be delivering projects in the three CIL Areas which have funding available; Coastal East, Coastal West and North West.
- Smaller amount of money available in 2024.



What are the restrictions of the fund?

- Should be spent on projects which can be seen to have a benefit to the local community - this includes revenue projects
- Project proposals can request a minimum of £1,000 and up to a maximum CIL Neighbourhood Fund allocation of £15,000 (or the amount available in the pot)
- The Neighbourhood Fund will be available to fund one off project costs
- Project proposals that match CIL Neighbourhood Fund, with other funding sources, are encouraged
- Projects must be ready to be delivered as soon as possible, at least within 18 months



What are we looking for in 2024?

- In particular in 2024, we are interested in projects which meet the following funding outcomes and themes.
- Funding outcomes for 2024:
 - **Supporting Worthing's residents and communities to become more connected within and across neighbourhoods**
 - **Supporting Worthing's residents and communities to become more involved in designing projects**
- Funding themes and examples for 2024:
 - **Improving health and wellbeing**
 - **Caring for our neighbourhoods and communities**
 - **Community cooperation**
 - **Tackling environmental issues**



What is the application process for 2024?

- Expression of interest stage open now until 17th May
- Networking events on 9th & 10th May - see [Council's website](#)
- Formal application process will then open for 6 weeks from 20th May to 28th June
- Suitable projects will be sent through to an assessment panel to be held in July
- The assessment panel to be made up of both Elected Members and community representatives will evaluate all applications
- Recommendations made to Cabinet member who will sign off on which bids are approved - by September



More information is available on Council website, search for Worthing CIL

<https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/worthing-cil/neighbourhood-fund/>

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