**Knayton cum Brawith Parish Council**

**Community Infrastructure Levy Policy (CIL)**

**What is the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)**?

The CIL is a charge on development that came into force in 2010.

The purpose of the CIL is to fund infrastructure to support local development.

The local planning authority, HDC, sets the rate of CIL and collects the CIL from developers.

**What types of development require a CIL payment?**

The adopted charging schedules only apply a CIL rate on proposals that create a dwelling and/or a dwelling with restricted holiday use. Affordable dwellings and essential rural workers' dwellings are excluded from a CIL charge.

**Knayton cum Brawith Parish Council does not have a neighbourhood plan so what proportion of CIL goes directly to the Council?**

The Council will be entitled to up to 15 per cent of any CIL collected from liable developments within the Parish (capped at a maximum of £100 per existing dwelling in the Parish).

**How should the Council spend any CIL monies?**

The Council should spend any local CIL monies within 5 years of receipt. Where money is not used to support development of the area within five years of receipt, or is used for other purposes, the regulations give HDC the power to recover those funds. This is to ensure that money is spent, and spent effectively, to benefit the local community.

**What can CIL monies be spent on?**

CIL monies can be spent on the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure, or anything else that is concerned with addressing demands that development places on the Parish. This gives the community freedom and power to spend the money on a wide range of projects, based upon the support of the community through past and future consultations. CIL monies cannot be used for everyday parish council expenditure or for spending on items or services which fall outside the parish council’s remit.

Where community priorities for infrastructure are the same as those of the local authority, for example if they are agreed a new school or road is needed, the community can agree that the local authority will keep all or part of the Parish funding entitlement to ensure maximum funding is enabled.

Other community groups can apply to the Parish Council for consideration of funding of an infrastructure project. Such an application will be considered by Parish Councillors but it must be for an ‘infrastructure’ project and be for the benefit of the Knayton cum Brawith community.

**What is infrastructure?**

There are typically 3 broad categories of infrastructure:

Physical infrastructure: e.g. highways, new or safer road schemes, transport links, cycleways, energy supply, water, flood alleviation, waste management

Social infrastructure: e.g. education, health and social care facilities, emergency services, art and culture, sports halls, community halls

Green infrastructure: e.g. parks, woodlands, play areas, public open green spaces.

**Receipt of CIL monies**

HDC transfers any CIL money to the Parish Council.

Upon receipt, these monies will be ‘ringfenced’ by the Parish Council subject to full council approval and in accordance with Knayton cum Brawith Parish Council’s Financial Regulations.

**Monitoring and Review**

Knayton cum Brawith Parish Council produces a publicly available annual report on the use of their share of the CIL receipts. This will include: the total receipts for the reported year:

the projects CIL has been applied to; the amount of expenditure on each item.

The report is publicly available and published on the Parish Council website.

**CIL process adopted by Knayton cum Brawith Parish Council**

**The Council will:**

1. Provide leaflet/letter to all residents to explain what CIL is and to inform them about how CIL monies have been used by the Parish Council in the past
2. Consult with residents about suitable projects for the village that relate to the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure, or anything else that is concerned with addressing demands that development places on the village
3. Ask residents to put forward any suitable projects and include details of any support from other residents for the project
4. Draw up a list of priorities and ask residents to vote (1 to 5) for their most favoured proposal before a final decision is made by the Parish Council (this will provide an evidence base for spending decisions, transparency for the local community and to help give HDC a better understanding of our community priorities)
5. Consult with HDC on any proposals to ensure they meet the required CIL regulations before a final decision is made
6. Inform residents of the outcome of the consultation process and decision
7. Regularly inform villagers of progress and the timescale of any agreed project
8. Ensure any works required for CIL projects follow a tendering process
9. Fund priorities as and when monies become available
10. Report annually on the use of CIL monies

This CIL policy will be reviewed annually by Knayton cum Brawith Parish Council and at such time that changes occur that impact upon this policy.

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