

Broughton in Amounderness Parish Council

CIL Management Policy

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1. Summary

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) allows local authorities to raise monies from development for the provision of infrastructure in and around their areas or strategic cross boundary infrastructure projects where several local authorities contribute. A CIL charge is non-negotiable; however, there are exemptions for some types of development such as affordable housing, self-build, self-build extension or annex and charitable relief. The CIL charging schedule was approved by Preston City Council on 22nd August 2013 and came into effect on 30th September 2013.

Recent amendments to the 2010 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulation require Preston City Council to pass a proportion of CIL receipts collected from developments in their areas directly to Parish or Village Councils to be spent on infrastructure or anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area.

The City Council will pass accumulated funds to the parish twice a year. The Parish or Village Council will be required to report on receipts and expenditure each year.

2. Introduction

Amendment Regulations have been passed that require charging authorities (Preston City Council) to pass a proportion of CIL receipts to Parish or Village Councils from developments that take place in their areas. Councils are required to pass 15% of CIL receipts to relevant Parish Councils arising from developments in their areas. This rises to 25% in areas with an adopted Neighbourhood Development Plan. To prevent excessive amounts being passed on, the payments to areas without a Neighbourhood Development Plan in place will be capped to £100 per council tax dwelling per year, plus indexation. This means that a parish with 500 dwellings cannot receive over £50,000, plus indexation, of CIL receipts per year. In areas with a Neighbourhood Development Plan, the amount to be passed over will be 25% with no cap. The Neighbourhood Plan must be adopted prior to the time at which planning permission first permits the development.

3. Scope

This policy applies to all CIL funds received by the Parish Council and outlines the framework for their allocation, management, and reporting.

4. Objectives

- To ensure CIL funds are used effectively to support local infrastructure needs.
- To provide transparency and accountability in the management of CIL funds.
- To engage with the local community in identifying and prioritizing infrastructure projects

5. How the funds must be spent

The amended Regulations state that this proportion of funds must be used 'to support the development of the local area by funding:

- (a) the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure; or
- (b) anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area.'

These wider spending powers allow the local community to decide what they need to help mitigate the impacts of development, for example the money can be used for open space provision, playgrounds, cycle paths, landscape, planting, or they can choose to contribute to larger projects funded by other bodies, such as the City or County Council.

If a parish council has failed to spend CIL funds passed to it within 5 years of receipt, or has applied the funds not in accordance with the Regulations then the City Council can serve a notice on the Parish or Village Council requiring it

to repay some or all of the receipts passed. The City Council will be required to spend any recovered funds in the Parish or Village Council's area.

6. Management of CIL Funds

Financial Management

- CIL funds will be managed in accordance with the Parish Council's financial regulations.
- A separate account will be maintained for CIL receipts and expenditures.

Monitoring and Reporting

- The Parish Council will produce an annual report on CIL expenditure, which will be published on the Parish Council's website and submitted to the charging authority.
- The report will include details of CIL receipts, expenditures, and the progress of funded projects.

7. Reporting Requirements

To ensure transparency Parish and Village Councils must publish each year their total CIL receipts; total expenditure; a summary of what the CIL was spent on; and the total amount of receipts retained at the end of the reported year from that year and previous years. Local councils must complete the attached reporting form annually before the end of October and return to the CIL monitoring officer at Preston City Council. The completed report must be published on the Parish Councils website or the Preston City Council website, at request of the Parish Council

8. Review and Amendment of Regulations

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains relevant and effective.

Amendments may be made as necessary to reflect changes in legislation or local priorities.

9. Conclusion

The Parish Council is committed to using CIL funds responsibly to support the development and improvement of local infrastructure, ensuring that the community benefits from the growth and development in the area.