

CIL Funding Bid Guidance

Overview

The purpose of this document is to provide guidance for any organisation wishing to submit a bid to Horsham District Council to be considered for CIL funding for a project.

Horsham District Council's CIL Governance Arrangements require projects to be listed in an Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) to be eligible for CIL funding. In March 2025 the Council adopted an Interim IDP reflecting the District's current infrastructure requirements.

Organisations are invited to submit a bid to the Council for any project listed in the IDP where CIL funds are being sought. All submissions will be assessed in line with the CIL Governance Arrangements and those which are prioritised and then taken forward will be added to the CIL Spending Plan.

Eligible Projects

In order to be considered for funding projects must:

- Be included in the Interim IDP
- Meet the CIL regulations
- Be necessary to support development in the District
- Be deliverable within a three-year period, with evidence
- Be costed (even if indicatively)

Things to consider:

- Is the project eligible for funding from other sources, in part or full? Have you considered what other funding could supplement any CIL funds?
- Can the project be delivered in smaller increments rather than in one go? Smaller projects may be more likely to be successful
- Can you demonstrate how the project supports development?
- If the project requires support or input from other statutory bodies (like the Education or Highway Authorities) have these bodies been involved in the preparation of the bid?
- Is planning permission or any other consent required?
- If you are submitting bids for more than one project what is their order of priority relevant to one another?