

# CIL Community Fund Information for Town and Parish Councils

## Summary of Fund and Purpose

The CIL Community Fund is designed to support Towns and Parishes across the district to deliver infrastructure which addresses the demands that development places on their area.

Teignbridge will fund up to 50% of the project, with the Town or Parish Council expected to fund at least 50% of the project. Teignbridge District Council will use the CIL we retain to fund a maximum of £200,000 to be distributed per year, with a maximum funding of **£100,000** provided to any individual project.

Town and Parish Councils will be the project leads, responsible for administering, managing and contracting the tasks required to complete project delivery.

There will be two bidding rounds per year, with bid deadlines announced at least 6 months in advance. Bids will be reviewed by officers and members from TDC against set criteria, with feedback and justifications for decisions provided. Whilst we have tried to prevent the information required from a bid from being onerous, we also must ensure that projects are deliverable, sustainable and align with community needs.

## Bid Criteria and Scoring

Bids are evaluated against 7 criteria to ensure that projects will contribute to addressing the demands that development places on the area, are practical and deliverable, and that the funding TDC will be providing will be an effective use of funds in line with the priorities of the district.

The criteria, key questions and weighting are as follows:

### **Strategic Fit & Need (20%)**

Bids will be reviewed to assess evidence of need and strategic priority; does the project align with the [One Teignbridge council strategy](#) and the [Local Plan](#)?

### **Community Benefit & Inclusion (20%)**

What measurable benefits will the project deliver? Does it improve access for underserved groups? Has community engagement been demonstrated?

### **Deliverability & Readiness (10%)**

Are consents in place or achievable? Is the timeline clear and realistic? Has a procurement route and delivery partners been identified?

### **Value for Money & Match (15%)**

Is the funding from the Town or Parish secured or credible? Could the project proceed without TDC funding? Are costs reasonable and supported by a robust budget?

### **Risk & Governance (10%)**

Have project delivery risks been considered with mitigations provided? Is governance clear with defined roles?

### **Sustainability & Legacy (10%)**

Have ongoing costs, such as maintenance or upkeep been considered? How does it contribute to net-zero objectives? Will benefits of the project be sustained long-term?

### **Infrastructure Plan Status (5%)**

Does the Town/Parish have an approved [Infrastructure Plan](#)? Is the project identified as a priority within that plan?

### **Resource Capacity (5%)**

Does the Town or Parish Council have sufficient financial and organisational capacity to administer the project? Would the project proceed without TDC support?

### **Conflicts of Interest**

Where there are individuals supporting the bid who are either Members or Officers at Teignbridge Town Council, please declare this at the bid stage. This will not prejudice the bid in any way but will ensure that the process is managed in a fair and transparent way.

### **Contact details**

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