



Infrastructure Business Plan

(including the Annual Infrastructure Funding Statement)

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NATIONAL PARK



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1. Introduction

This Infrastructure Business Plan (IBP) covers the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) area.

Infrastructure is paid for in several different ways, for example via:

- **Utilities companies** – Electricity, gas, water, waste water, communications – through customer bills, government grants and support;
- **Government grants** – Direct or indirect through Local Authority grants;
- **Site specific requirements** – Through legal agreements with developer's of specific sites (known as Section 106 agreements);
- **Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)** – a levy on certain types of new development;
- **Parish Council funds** – Through Parish precept or use of other monies / grants, and
- **Grant bodies** – Trusts / Charitable organisations provide funding often for local community led projects.

It is common for different funding sources to be combined to pay for new infrastructure.

The South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) has been collecting payments for infrastructure through the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) since April 2017.

This IBP sets out how the money collected to provide infrastructure through the CIL¹ and Section 106 agreements (S106) within the South Downs National Park has and will be used over the coming years. Chapter 2 explains what the SDNPA considers infrastructure and what it means in the context of a National Park. Chapters 3 and 4 contain the information on CIL and S106 funding secured, allocated and spent as well as non-financial contributions and forms the **Annual Infrastructure Funding Statement** which the SDNPA is required to produce.

It is clear that CIL will help to bridge the infrastructure funding gap but won't completely resolve it. Therefore, there is a need to prioritise the projects, alongside exploring other funding opportunities and approaches to financing which will require partnership working arrangements with infrastructure providers. Parish / Town Councils will also have the ability to use their own CIL receipts (in accordance with the CIL Regulations²) on projects that are a priority for them.

This IBP can never be absolutely precise about the amount of money collected via CIL in the future or the precise costs of some of the infrastructure projects required. This document is a best estimate at a given point in time and is updated annually.

The IBP has been prepared by the SDNPA with input from the Parish and Town Councils, District and County Councils, Statutory and other interest and amenity groups within the SDNPA area.

¹ The collection and distribution of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is governed by the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended). Further information on CIL can be found at <https://www.southdowns.gov.uk>.

² In accordance with Regulation 59C of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended).

2. Infrastructure in a National Park Context

All infrastructure projects identified for funding should support the National Park Authority’s statutory Purposes and Duty as specified in the Environment Act 1995:

- **Purpose 1:** Conserving and enhancing the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the area
- **Purpose 2:** Promoting opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of the National Park by the public
- **Duty:** To seek to foster the social and economic wellbeing of the local communities within the National Park in pursuit of the purposes.

The South Downs National Park Partnership Management Plan sets objectives based on the statutory Purposes and Duty, whilst the South Downs Local Plan allocates a sustainable level of growth to villages and towns across the National Park.

Infrastructure provision can have a positive impact and reduce or resolve limitations and inequality across wide areas. However, some infrastructure projects can be harmful to the natural environment and landscape and are, therefore, contrary to the first Purpose of the National Park. In these instances, the South Downs Local Plan policies seek to balance the public benefit of new infrastructure with the conservation and enhancement of the landscape. All projects should be underpinned by an Ecosystems Services approach and the SDNPA will prioritise those that demonstrate high quality design, multi-functionality and landscape integration.

Each infrastructure project is therefore categorised under one of seven headings, and Table 1 shows how these link to the Purposes and Duty.

Table 1 – Types of Infrastructure

Infrastructure Categories	Purpose 1	Purpose 2	Duty	Project Examples
Green Infrastructure	✓	✓	✓	Landscape-scale mitigation; Access land; informal open space; managed space; village greens; allotments; green roofs; parks; micro-generation energy schemes; South Downs Way improvements; flood management and climate change mitigation; Habitats Regulation Assessment compliance, and tree planting.
Social & Leisure	✓	✓	✓	Cultural heritage; enhancement to historic urban fabric; public realm improvements; added value in hard surfacing; sports facilities and pavilion improvements; green gyms; playing fields; playgrounds; recreation grounds.
Services & Facilities		✓	✓	Community buildings; libraries; support services and care; village halls; expanding emergency services capacity; car parking; insulation and other improvements to public buildings; National Park interpretation boards and exhibits; visitor centres; tourist information and promotion of the National Park.

Infrastructure Categories	Purpose 1	Purpose 2	Duty	Project Examples
Transport		✓	✓	Public Rights of Way improvements; walking and cycling infrastructure; bus and rail network improvements; traffic calming; improved signage; highway works that add value to the National Park setting.
Education			✓	State-funded primary and secondary schools.
Health & Wellbeing		✓	✓	GP Surgeries / Hospitals Mental Health provision / adult social care
Utility Services			✓	Broadband provision; utilities supply (where not a statutory undertaking); added value flood schemes; waste management & disposal.

Planned levels of development in the South Downs National Park

The South Downs Local Plan was adopted in July 2019. Table 2 summarises the level and sources of housing development expected during the course of the Local Plan.

Table 2 – Planned Housing Delivery in the South Downs National Park³

Element of Housing Delivery to 2033	Dwellings
Allocations in the South Downs Local Plan, including those to come forward in Neighbourhood Development Plans and on strategic sites (as of 31 March 2023)	2,773
Net dwellings with extant permission (as of 11 March 2023)	528
Anticipated windfall development (as of 31 March 2023)	357
Completions for the period 2014 / 15 to 2022 / 23	2,205
Total	5,863

³ The information in this table is taken from the Authority Monitoring Report which can be viewed at <https://www.southdowns.gov.uk>.

3. Community Infrastructure Levy - Report 2023 / 24

The following information is presented in order to comply with the requirements on the reporting of CIL. It sets out how much CIL has been collected, where it has been allocated to and how it has been spent.

	Amount	Further Information
Total value of CIL set out in all Demand Notices issued in 2023 / 24 ⁴	£2,995,813.44	
The total amount of CIL receipts for 2023 / 24 ⁵	£1,953,835.86	
The total amount of CIL receipts collected by the SDNPA <i>before</i> 1 April 2023 which has not been allocated ⁶	£0.00	
The total amount of CIL receipts collected by the SDNPA <i>before</i> 1 April 2023 which have been allocated in 2023 / 24 ⁷	£2,590,800.70	
The total amount of CIL expenditure for 2023 / 24 ⁸	£1,275,937.26	This figure includes the 2023 / 24 payments made directly to Parish / Town Councils.

⁴ CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended) Schedule 2, Paragraph 1(a)

⁵ Schedule 2, Paragraph 1(b)

⁶ Schedule 2, Paragraph 1(c)

⁷ Schedule 2, Paragraph 1(d)

	Amount	Further Information
The total amount of CIL receipts collected since it was introduced in the SDNP which was allocated but not spent in 2023 / 24 ⁹	£2,515,800.70	This figure is the total amount of CIL allocated since April 2017 but not spent as of 31 March 2023, and excludes the payment directly made to Parish / Town Councils and the 2023 / 24 CIL receipts

CIL Expenditure in 2023 / 24

A summary of the infrastructure on which CIL has been spent:¹⁰

- Further information on the items of infrastructure on which CIL has been spent is set out in the Section below and in Tables 3a and 3b.
- No CIL has been spent on repaying money borrowed (no money has been borrowed).
- £96,167.17 has been spent on administration. This is 5% (as standard across England) of the total amount of CIL collected in the financial year 2023 / 24.

⁸ Schedule 2, Paragraph 1(e)

⁹ Schedule 2, Paragraph 1(f)

¹⁰ Schedule 2, Paragraph 1(g) (i) – (iii)

CIL Allocated and Unspent in 2023 / 24

A summary of the CIL which has been collected, allocated to a project, but not yet spent:¹¹

As of the 31 March 2024, there was £4,700,501.48 of total CIL receipts allocated for projects but unspent. The 2023 / 24 CIL receipts were unallocated as of 31 March 2024, the allocation of these funds took place in September 2024 and further information can be found in Section 5 of this document.

Up until October 2021, the SDNPA made the decision to ‘split’ its CIL receipts into two pots. **Pot 1** would be spent on strategic infrastructure projects most likely to be delivered by the County Councils and other statutory bodies within the National Park, examples include education and large-scale transport related projects. **Pot 2** would be spent on other types of infrastructure projects. Since October 2021, the SDNPA’s CIL receipts have not been split into separate pots.

Pot 1

As of 31 March 2024, the original ‘Pot 1’ was allocated £1,064,980.05 to be spent by the following County Councils, based on the proportion of funds required to be spent on the projects listed as ‘Essential’ in Appendix B:

- West Sussex County Council was allocated £612,971.04.
- East Sussex County Council was allocated £256,009.01.
- Hampshire County Council was allocated £196,000.00.

Brighton & Hove City Council has not identified any critical or essential strategic infrastructure requirements within the National Park.

As of 31 March 2024, £775,280.05 remains unspent. This money has been ring-fenced for 5 years (from the date of allocation) and the County Councils have been invited to request the funds for the purposes of delivering the identified projects.

Since October 2021, should the money allocated not been spent within the 5 years, the money is made available to other projects – see Section 5 of this document for reference to all monies which have been ‘reallocated’.

Single Pot (including Original ‘Pot 2’)

As of 31 March 2024, £7,267,588.07 was allocated to be spent on the ‘High Policy Priority Projects’ set out in Tables 3a and 3b. Those projects allocated monies from the 2023 / 24 CIL receipts are set out in Section 5 of this document.

A total of £3,925,221.43 remains unspent on projects allocated money by the SDNPA (see Tables 3a and 3b below). This money is ring-fenced for the 3 years (from the date the money was allocated). Should funding for these infrastructure projects no longer be required, the money could be made available to other project – see Section 5 of this document for reference to all monies which have been ‘reallocated’.

¹¹ Schedule 2, Paragraph 1(h)

Table 3a: Project Progress

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024	Progress / Comments
Lavant River Walk	2018-19	£10,000.00		Planning Permission being sought
Egrets Way Phase 6 – to develop a shared-use path from Rise Farm to Rodmell (3.1km)	2020-21	£131,250.00	£40,540.08	Remainder spent April 2024
Fittleworth - Project LH01 Heathland Restoration at Hesworth Common	2020-21	£9,000.00	£3,251.00	Remainder spent August 2024
Froxfield and Privett - Village Highway Improvement Scheme	2020-21	£10,000.00		Drawdown expected Aug/Sept 2024
Hampshire County Council, Miles without Stiles - Phase 1 - Winchester (total of 91km stile free access) and Phase 2 - Southern Gateway (Hambledon - Rowlands Castle – total of 121km stile free access)	2020-21	£53,008.00		Drawdown expected Oct 2024
Levin Down - access improvement works / new walking routes	2020-21	£16,400.00	£11,764.00	Remainder spent July 2024
Midhurst - Greenway Section A – to create a shared-use path and public rights of way improvements	2020-21	£100,000.00		
Midhurst Common - access improvement works (multi-user routes)	2020-21	£61,000.00		
Selbourne - Village Highway Improvement Scheme	2020-21	£15,000.00		Drawdown expected Aug/Sept 2024
Steep - Village Highway Improvement Scheme	2020-21	£10,000.00		Drawdown expected Aug/Sept 2024
Westmeston Jubilee Pathway Trust - Jubilee Pathway, Spatham Lane Extension (300m pathway on the west verge of Spatham Lane)	2020-21	£15,000.00		
Arundel - New Map / Information Board at Town Quay	2021-22	£3,000.00		Spent May 2024
Changing Places Toilet - Petersfield Town Centre	2021-22	£30,000.00		Spent June 2024
Upper Beeding - Riverside Walk improvements (includes 350m extension)	2021-22	£35,000.00		Spent May 2024

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024	Progress / Comments
Upper Beeding - Small Dole Skatepark (redesign and rebuild of existing facilities)	2021-22	£10,000.00		Spent May 2024
Access Improvements to the Watercress Way, Winchester (such as re-profiling of land, installation of hand rails and changes to existing ramps)	2021-22	£20,000.00		
Buriton Village Hall Enhancements - energy efficiency improvements - potential for 12kw solar PV and provision of two fast-charge EV charging Points	2021-22	£50,000.00		
Bury C of E Primary School (South Downs Ambassador School) - Classroom Extension to accommodate Yr 5 and 6 pupils as they progress through the school	2021-22	£100,000.00		
Buzz Active - Improvements to Canoe Barn at Cuckmere (to enable business to continue)	2021-22	£43,000.00	£20,574.00	
Changing Places Toilet - Queen Elizabeth Country Park	2021-22	£40,000.00		
East Meon - Highway Public Realm Improvements (inc review and reduction of existing highway signs, bespoke village gateway signs and new fingerposts)	2021-22	£15,000.00		
East Tisted - Public Realm Improvements (inc review and reduction of existing highway signs, bespoke village gateway signs and new fingerposts)	2021-22	£15,000.00		
Egrets Way - Phase 7, 0.8km North Piddinghoe to Deans Farm - develop a shared use (NMUs) path	2021-22	£300,000.00		
Fittleworth Primary School - Playground improvements - project will focus on adapting to climate change, demonstrating sustainable water management (SuDs) and nature recovery as well as providing education, play and sporting opportunities.	2021-22	£200,000.00		

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024	Progress / Comments
Iford Bridleway - 1.7km surface works to recently designated Iford - Rise Farm Bridleway to enable year round shared use (adding to Ouse Valley Cycle Network)	2021-22	£15,000.00		Starting Autumn 2024
Keymer Road Car Park, Ditchling	2021-22	£10,000.00	£7,674.72	
Landport Skatepark (Community Build), Lewes - new cycletrack and skatepark at Landport Recreation Ground	2021-22	£50,000.00		
Liss - Newman Collard Recreation Improvements - outdoor fitness equipment and MUGA	2021-22	£118,000.00		
Marwell to Winchester Bridleways - upgrade network of Bridleways in and around Marwell Zoo and Hotel - up to 1.5km of surfacing and drainage works (linked to future project to deliver off-road link from Marwell to Winchester)	2021-22	£100,000.00		
OVESCO - Get Bikery, Lewes (Ecargo bike service for Lewes)	2021-22	£27,000.00	£25,189.42	Ongoing
Petworth Park Sports Ground - Sports and Recreation Equipment	2021-22	£20,000.00	£8,500.00	Ongoing
Proposed Permissive Bridleway - Steyning to Washington (685m of surface improvements and installation of gates)	2021-22	£25,000.00		
Pulborough Brooks Takes Flight (improved visitor centre, upgrades and more accessible trails, improved volunteer facilities)	2021-22	£110,000.00		
Selborne - Traffic calming scheme - improve entrances to Selborne and widen footways / reduce carriageway	2021-22	£40,000.00		
South Harting - installation of Road Crossing on B2146 to South Gardens (the 14 acres of recreational space)	2021-22	£25,000.00		Starting Winter 2024
South Malling School - Replace and enhance playground equipment (inc MUGA)	2021-22	£34,500.00	£28,103.00	Ongoing

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024	Progress / Comments
Sussex Ouse Valley - Path Improvements, Lewes (surface and habitat improvements to 1074m of Ouse Valley Way to enable year round access to riverside path)	2021-22	£40,000.00		
Twyford - Flood Alleviation Scheme (to fund Phase 1 - construct of 115m length ditch to replace 90m section of pipe on Hazeley Road)	2021-22	£8,748.26		
Sheet - Highway Public Realm Improvements (inc reduction of junction with Village Green, various measures on London Road - improved crossing points, and decluttering of signage)	2021-22	£15,000.00		Spent May 2024 and completed
Changing Places Toilet - Petersfield Town Centre	2022-23	£15,000.00		Spent June 2024 and completed
Petersfield Rugby Club - Green Energy Initiative	2022-23	£40,000.00		Spent April 2024
Stedham Recreation Grounds Improvements - installation of wheelchair accessible roundabout and accessible path	2022-23	£11,000.00		Spent May 2024
Twyford Community Centre Refurbishment	2022-23	£20,000.00		Spent May 2024
A32 Farrington - Chawton Flood Alleviation scheme	2022-23	£70,000.00		
Bury CE Primary School - classroom extension	2022-23	£100,000.00		
Bury Village Hall Refurbishment (including sustainability improvements)	2022-23	£100,000.00		
Butser Ancient Farm - Footpath Improvements	2022-23	£20,000.00		
Centurion Way (West Dean to SDW Cocking)	2022-23	£650,000.00		
Churchers College - 430m permissive path linking south side of Penns Place to River Rother footpath	2022-23	£50,000.00		Starting summer 2024
East Meon 5 ways Byway Upgrade	2022-23	£25,000.00		
East Meon Village Hall Refurbishment (including sustainability improvements)	2022-23	£100,000.00		

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024	Progress / Comments
East Worldham - Public Realm and Highway Improvements	2022-23	£25,000.00		
Findon Village - Interpretation Boards	2022-23	£2,575.00		
Fittleworth - Serpent Trail Improvements	2022-23	£100,000.00		
Hampshire County Council - Parish Pollinators Project	2022-23	£50,000.00		Spent August 2024
Lavant Village Green - Restoration Works	2022-23	£2,000.00		
Lewes Rowing Club - New clubhouse	2022-23	£49,000.00		
Lilac Cottage (part of the Old Library), Midhurst - Refurbishment for Midhurst Community Hub	2022-23	£15,000.00		
Linklater Pavilion, Lewes	2022-23	£15,000.00		
Liss - Newman Collard Playing Fields, Drainage Improvement Works	2022-23	£78,000.00		
Malling Recreation Ground, Lewes - Path Improvements for walkers and cyclists	2022-23	£67,000.00		
Midhurst Rother College - Canopy to Amphitheatre to help with 'wet weather' overcrowding	2022-23	£125,000.00		
Mingledown Woods, Chawton (tree planting, ecological and access improvements)	2022-23	£20,000.00		
North Mill, Easebourne - Improvements to River Rother (to comply with Water Framework Directive for fish)	2022-23	£50,000.00		
Nuns Walk, Winchester - footpath improvements	2022-23	£8,000.00		
Park Mill Restoration Project (part of Shillinglee Lake SSSI)	2022-23	£50,000.00		
Petworth Park Sports Pavilion Redevelopment	2022-23	£100,000.00		
Queen Elizabeth Country Park - Butser Pond (Dew Pond) Restoration	2022-23	£20,000.00		

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024	Progress / Comments
Queen Elizabeth Country Park - Improvements to South Downs Way	2022-23	£60,000.00		
Seven Sisters Country Park - creation of 'Wild Play' area	2022-23	£50,000.00		
St Catherines Hill (replacement steps to southern slope), Winchester	2022-23	£114,650.00		
Stanmer Park to Ditchling Beacon Link to South Downs Way (4.2k route for walkers and cyclists)	2022-23	£181,505.70		
Stepping Stones Playgroup, Sheet - Improvements to outdoor learning / play area (including creation of covered play area)	2022-23	£4,000.00		
Steining Downland Scheme - restorative grazing project	2022-23	£5,570.00		
Stroud - Replacement Bus Shelter	2022-23	£10,000.00		
The Ford and Berry Lane, Twyford - footpath improvements	2022-23	£15,000.00		
East Meon - Improvements to MUGA	2022-23	£7,500.00		Spent May 2024 and completed
Petersfield Open Air Swimming Pool - Toilet Refurbishment	2022-23	£50,000.00		Spent April 2024 and completed
Liss Forest Recreation Ground Improvements	2022-23	£40,000.00		Spent May 2024 and completed

Table 3b: Completed Projects

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024
Bevern Stream Natural Flood Management	2017-18	£5,950.00	£5,950.00
Egrets Way Project - Phase 4	2017-18	£20,230.00	£20,230.00
Lewes - Raingarden	2017-18	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Liss - Triangle Community Centre	2017-18	£24,275.00	£24,275.00

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024
South Downs Way Winchester route improvements	2017-18	£61,600.00	£61,600.00
Easebourne Park Phase 2 Works	2018-19	£80,270.00	£80,270.00
Egrets Way Project - Phase 5	2018-19	£113,000.00	£113,000.00
Findon - Play Facilities	2018-19	£31,500.00	£31,500.00
Goodwood - Seeley Copse Study Centre	2018-19	£40,000.00	£40,000.00
Hangers Way - ROW Improvement	2018-19	£11,000.00	£11,000.00
Lewes Railway Land Local Nature Reserve - Habitat improvement	2018-19	£15,500.00	£15,500.00
Lewes Railway Land Local Nature Reserve Footpath	2018-19	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Lewes Railway Land Local Nature Reserve Interpretation Boards	2018-19	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Liss - Upstream Natural Flood Management Project	2018-19	£25,000.00	£25,000.00
Liss - Village Hall Refurbishment	2018-19	£15,000.00	£15,000.00
Meon Valley Trail - Wickham Springs	2018-19	£33,955.86	£33,955.86
Petworth - Sylvia Beaufoy Pedestrian Crossing	2018-19	£33,000.00	£33,000.00
Queen Elizabeth Country Park - Ponds, Bugs and Kids	2018-19	£50,000.00	£50,000.00
Stedham Fitness Trail	2018-19	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
Stedham Recreation Ground Dome Climber Installation	2018-19	£4,850.00	£4,850.00
Twyford - Hunter Park Basketball Court	2018-19	£12,700.00	£12,700.00
Twyford - Pavilion Refurbishment at Hunter Park	2018-19	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
Centurion Way	2019-20	£500,000.00	£500,000.00
Ditchling - Keymer Road Car Park	2019-20	£70,000.00	£70,000.00
Hampshire County Council - Farrington Village Improvement	2019-20	£11,301.40	£11,301.40
Hampshire County Council - Stroud Village Improvement Scheme	2019-20	£20,000.00	£20,000.00

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024
Iping Common Access Imps Works	2019-20	£19,000.00	£19,000.00
Kings Arms Youth Project - Petersfield	2019-20	£15,000.00	£15,000.00
Seven Sisters - Refurbishment of the country park	2019-20	£100,000.00	£100,000.00
Amberley Community Car Park – creation of new car park, School Road	2020-21	£35,000.00	£35,000.00
Beachy Head Chaplaincy – improvements to existing facilities for Chaplains, Coastguards and Police	2020-21	£42,500.00	£42,500.00
Bury School - toilet refurbishment	2020-21	£15,000.00	£15,000.00
Buzz Active - improving access for paddle sport users (Cuckmere Valley)	2020-21	£30,000.00	£30,000.00
Droxford Junior School, Landscape Strategy - new play and outdoor education facilities	2020-21	£37,563.85	£37,563.85
Fernhurst Pavilion 2022 – to modernise and expand the sports pavilion to serve Fernhurst	2020-21	£200,000.00	£200,000.00
Fittleworth - Project LH02 Tree Planting at Birchwalk Woods	2020-21	£1,500.00	£1,500.00
Greatham - Village Highway Improvement Scheme	2020-21	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Lavant - Play Area Equipment - replace / renew children's playground	2020-21	£50,000.00	£50,000.00
Leconfield Hall, Petworth - Stage 1 Improvements	2020-21	£20,000.00	£20,000.00
Queen Elizabeth Country Park - Bike Base - Cycle hubs, new trails for children and adults, bike repair facilities, battery charging, bike washing facilities etc	2020-21	£50,000.00	£50,000.00
Seven Sisters - to improve facilities and services	2020-21	£80,000.00	£80,000.00
Stedham with Iping Recreation Ground - Common View - Phase 2b of 3 to replace / renew play equipment	2020-21	£9,750.00	£9,750.00
Stedham with Iping Recreation Ground - Village Green - Phase 2a of 3 to replace / renew play equipment	2020-21	£2,775.00	£2,775.00
Sustainability Centre, Droxford (towards wider 'Ready, Steady, Grow' project) – to expand facilities and services about sustainable education, eco-tourism and residential courses	2020-21	£100,000.00	£100,000.00
The Petersfield School - Drama Break Out Area / outdoor facilities	2020-21	£40,000.00	£40,000.00
Wallands Primary School SuDs Project, Lewes – to provide an exemplar SuDs providing multiple benefits	2020-21	£150,000.00	£150,000.00
West Ashling and Funtington District Hall Refurbishment Project	2020-21	£30,000.00	£30,000.00

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024
West Liss Recreation Ground, Liss – to expand and renew recreational provision including play area, MUGA and fitness area.	2020-21	£50,000.00	£50,000.00
Greatham Village Hall Recreation Ground - creation of all-inclusive accessible playground (to replace existing playground)	2021-22	£90,000.00	£90,000.00
Iford - off road Cycle Way from Iford to Swanborough (upgrade of footpath)	2021-22	£26,000.00	£26,000.00
Improve Mound by Heart of Reeds, Lewes Railway Land Local Nature Reserve (improvements to paths and handrails, additional wildflower planting)	2021-22	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Meonstoke C of E Infant School - To improve a wooded area and bark pathways within the school grounds	2021-22	£18,000.00	£18,000.00
Regeneration of the Cockshut Chalk stream - creation of 6.8ha wetland	2021-22	£150,000.00	£150,000.00
Seven Sisters Country Park - A National Park for all: Improving Accessibility - Warden accommodation (to support yr round tourism, inc installation of air source heat pumps) and providing new facility block for Camping Barn (accessible toilet, shower and cooking facilities)	2021-22	£96,000.00	£96,000.00
Sheet - Highway Public Realm Improvements (inc reduction of junction with Village Green, various measures on London Road - improved crossing points, and decluttering of signage)	2021-22	£15,000.00	£15,000.00
St Thomas a Becket Church - Tower Access Project, Lewes (Make safe the 15th Century spiral staircase to Grade II* listed Church to enable public access again)	2021-22	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
Stedham Recreation Ground Improvements - Phase 3 (replacement of old climbing frame with new rope pyramid and see-saw)	2021-22	£9,000.00	£9,000.00
Sylvia Beaufoy Youth Centre - Installation of Solar Panels	2021-22	£20,660.00	£20,660.00
The Petersfield School, installation of Climbing Wall (will also be open to Community Groups free of charge)	2021-22	£29,000.00	£29,000.00
Beachy Head Chaplaincy Improvements	2022-23	£50,000.00	£50,000.00
East Meon - Improvements to MUGA	2022-23	£7,500.00	£7,500.00
Liss Forest Recreation Ground Improvements	2022-23	£40,000.00	£40,000.00
Midhurst Green Walkway - Improvements from the Grange Community Leisure Centre to the Old Town (planting and signage)	2022-23	£25,000.00	£25,000.00

Project	Allocated in Financial Yr.	Total amount allocated	Total spent as of 31 March 2024
Petersfield Open Air Swimming Pool - Toilet Refurbishment	2022-23	£50,000.00	£50,000.00
Petersfield Rugby Club - Green Energy Initiative	2022-23	£40,000.00	£40,000.00

CIL passed to Parish and Town Councils

The amount of CIL passed to Parish and Town Councils¹² in the 2023 / 24 financial year¹³ is as follows:

Parish / Town (where CIL liable development has commenced)	Amount paid in 2023 / 24
Amberley Parish Council	£ 4,379.09
Binsted Parish Council	£17,875.93
Bishops Waltham Parish Council	£2,321.39
Buriton Parish Council	£11,625.78
Cheriton Parish Council	£1,800.00
Cocking Parish Council	£5,158.01
Ditchling Parish Council	£6,525.41
Easebourne Parish Council	£58,091.96
East Dean and Friston Parish Council	£1,534.42
Elsted and Treyford Parish Council	£13,208.28
Findon Parish Council	£6,388.43
Fulking Parish Council	£900.00
Funtington Parish Council	£26,222.22
Glynde & Beddingham Parish Council	£2,155.11
Greatham Parish Council	£975.00
Harting Parish Council	£4,595.94
Kingston (Nr Lewes) Parish Council	£4,828.24

¹² Schedule 2, Paragraph 1(i)(i)

Parish / Town (where CIL liable development has commenced)	Amount paid in 2023 / 24
Langrish Parish Council	£2,332.55
Lewes Town Council	£23,448.82
Liss Parish Council	£10,744.42
Midhurst Town Council	£70,684.78
Petersfield Town Council	£20,733.47
Petworth Town Council	£1,208.62
Selborne Parish Council	£8,460.62
Slindon Parish Council	£3,523.76
Soberton Parish Council	£300.00
Tichborne Parish Council	£1,472.31
Upham Parish Council	£869.28
West Dean Parish Council	£1,612.98
Total	£313,976.82

Appendix A gives details of the total money passed to Parish and Town Councils to date, what has been spent and what remains. Parish and Town Councils are also required to report on this, however, to assist them in meeting their requirements the SDNPA has provided all relevant Councils with a reporting form and will publish the data via this document.

No CIL has been passed to any person under regulation 59(4).

¹³ Please note this includes payments made to Councils in Oct 2023 and money generated up to 31 March 2024 albeit the actual payment was passed to the Councils in Apr 2024

No CIL, passed to Parish and Town Councils, has been recovered by the SDNPA during 2023 / 24 and no notices requiring such action have been served. Recovery of funds is possible when it has not been used within 5 years of receipt or when it has not been used to provide infrastructure needed to support an areas development¹⁴.

The total amount of CIL retained at 31 March 2024

	Amount	Further Information
The total amount of CIL receipts for 2023 / 24 retained at the end of the reported year ¹⁵	£1,543,691.87	This figure excludes the 5% for administration and the direct payments made to Parish / Town Councils
CIL receipts from previous years retained at the end of 2023 / 24 ¹⁶	£4,708,180.87	This money is allocated to projects – See Page 5 and Table 3a in this document
CIL receipts recovered from Parish / Town Councils or retained for unparished areas for 2023 / 24 ¹⁷	£5,291.50	This is money retained from unparished areas.
CIL receipts recovered from Parish / Town Councils or retained for unparished areas from previous years ¹⁸	£16,330.48	This is money retained from unparished areas.

¹⁴ Schedule 2, Paragraph K(i) and (ii)

¹⁵ Schedule 2, Paragraph L(i)

¹⁶ Schedule 2, Paragraph L(ii)

¹⁷ Schedule 2, Paragraph J(i) and (ii) and L(iii)

¹⁸ Schedule 2, Paragraph L(iv)

4. Section 106 Legal Agreements - Report 2023 / 24

The following information is presented in order to comply with the requirements on the reporting of Section 106 Agreements (S106). It sets out, for the financial year, how much S106 has been collected, where it has been allocated and how it has been spent. It includes monetary as well as non-monetary contributions.

Monetary contributions

	Amount	Further Information
Total amount of money to be provided under planning obligations which were entered into during 2023 / 24 ¹⁹ .	£1,149,871.98	Details are set out in Table 4.
Total amount of money required by planning obligations which was received during 2023 / 24 ²⁰	£535,965.99	
Total amount of money under any planning obligations which was received before 1 April 2023 which has not been allocated ²¹	£391,527.12	

¹⁹ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(a)

²⁰ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(b)

Table 4: Details of monetary contributions secured in 2023 / 24

Financial contributions secured through S106 agreements 2023 / 24	Source
£5,000 Nitrate Mitigation Monitoring Fee	22a & Land to rear 24 Lavant Road, Chichester (CDC Planning Permission reference 20/01897/FUL)
£105,966 Affordable Housing Contribution £3,080 S106 Monitoring Fee	34 Lavant Street, Petersfield SDNP/22/04504/FUL
£5,534 Travel Plan Contribution £5,000 Revised Travel Plan £200,000 Affordable Housing Contribution £7,480 S106 Monitoring Fee	Blind Veterans, Brighton SDNP/22/02247/FUL
£16,500 Travel Plan Monitoring Contribution	Bulmer House, Petersfield SDNP/21/03755/FUL
£16,500 Travel Plan Monitoring Contribution £3,080 S106 Monitoring Fee	Bulmer House, Petersfield SDNP/22/05643/FUL
£5,280 S106 Monitoring Fee £35,000 Biodiversity Net Gain Mitigation	Castelmer Fruit Farm, Kingston SDNP/22/05983/FUL
£35,000 Biodiversity Net Gain Mitigation	Charlton Court Farm, Wiston

²¹ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(c)

Financial contributions secured through S106 agreements 2023 / 24	Source
£440 S106 Monitoring Fee	County Stables, The Old Racecourse, Lewes SDNP/23/02048/FUL
£14226.68 S106 Monitoring Fee	Cowdray Works Yard, Easebourne SDNP/21/04040/FIL
£7,626.68 S106 Monitoring Fee	Easebourne Primary School, Easebourne SDNP/21/04041/FUL
£4,840 S106 Monitoring Fee £35,000 Biodiversity Net Gain Mitigation	Exceat Bridge, Exceat SDNP/21/02342/FUL
£105,966.14 Affordable Housing Contribution £440 S106 Monitoring Fee	Garston Farm, East Meon SDNP/21/02888/FUL
£440 S106 Monitoring Fee	Land at Abbottstone Road, Alresford
£15,000 Travel Plan Bond £16,500 Travel Plan Fee & Travel Plan Contribution £5,720 S106 Monitoring Fee £125,000 Transport Contribution	Land East of Harrier Way, Petersfield SDNP/22/04472/FUL
£75,000 Affordable Housing Contribution £1,760 S106 Monitoring Fee £15,000 SPA, SSSI & SAC Contribution £65,000 Transport Contribution	Liss Forest Nursery, Liss SDNP/21/04848/FUL

²² Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(d)

Financial contributions secured through S106 agreements 2023 / 24	Source
£4,252.80 Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership (SRMP) Contribution	Lording Park Rest & Convalescent Home, Stoughton SDNP/22/04280/FUL
£440 S106 Monitoring Fee	New Barn Farm, Trotton SDNP/20/03424/FUL
£3960 S106 Monitoring Fee	North Farm, Washington SDNP/22/00040/FUL
£5,866.68 S106 Monitoring Fee	Egmont Road, Easebourne SDNP/22/01858/FUL
£443 Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership (SRMP) Contribution £130 S106 Monitoring Fee	The Royal Oak, Lavant SDNP/23/04243/FUL
£203,400 Nitrate Mitigation	Warnford Park, Southampton

Non-monetary contributions

Table 5 sets out a summary of the non-financial contributions²² which have been secured under S106 agreements entered into during 2023 / 24. This includes the provision of 155 **Affordable Homes**²³. These will be delivered at agreed points before, during or after the completion of the relevant developments.

²³ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(d)(i)

Table 5: Details of non-monetary contributions secured in 2023 / 24

Non-Financial contributions secured through S106 agreements 2023 / 24	Source
Biodiversity Net Gain Mitigation Land (Habitat Bank)	2 Houndean Cottages, Lewes (Iford Estate)
5 x affordable housing units	34 Lavant Street, Petersfield SDNP/22/04504/FUL
Financial review for affordable housing, Travel Plan	Blind Veterans, Brighton SDNP/22/02247/FUL
56 x affordable housing units, Travel plan	Bulmer House, Petersfield SDNP/21/03755/FUL
56 x affordable housing extra care provision, Travel plan	Bulmer House, Petersfield SDNP/22/05643/FUL
4 x affordable housing units Replacement orchard and Biodiversity Net Gain Mitigation (off-set)	Castelmer Fruit Farm, Kingston SDNP/22/05983/FUL
Biodiversity Net Gain Mitigation Land (Habitat Bank)	Charlton Court Farm, Wiston
Planning permission restriction	County Stables, Old Racecourse, Lewes SDNP/23/02048/FUL
5 x affordable housing essential worker units (private rented units), affordable housing review mechanism, water neutrality mitigation, delivering of passive houses, delivery of public pedestrian route and other highway works	Cowdray Works Yard, Easebourne SDNP/21/04040/FUL

Non-Financial contributions secured through S106 agreements 2023 / 24	Source
6 x affordable housing units, water neutrality mitigation, permissive path agreement	Easebourne Primary School, Easebourne SDNP/21/04041/FUL
Biodiversity Net Gain Mitigation (off-site), Traffic Management Strategy	Exceat Bridge, Exceat SDNP/21/02342/FUL
Restriction on planning permission implementation	France Hill, Alfriston SDNP/23/04057/HOUS
6 x affordable housing units	Coppice Cottages, East Meon SDNP/19/06024/FUL
Nitrate mitigation land (off-site)	Land at Abbotstone Road, Alresford
Use restriction to C2, Biodiversity Net Gain Mitigation (off-site / credit purchase), Highway Works and Travel Plan	Land at Harrier Way, Petersfield SDNP/22/04427/FUL
Community Parkland, allotments,	Land west of Greyfriars, Storrington SDNP/21/04702/OUT
8 x affordable housing units, creation of open space and permissive path	Liss Forest Nursery, Liss SDNP/21/04848/FUL
Water neutrality mitigation	New Barn Farm, Trotton SDNP/20/03424/FUL
Creation of permissive path, water neutrality mitigation, Travel plan	North Farm, Washington SDNP/22/00040/FUL

Non-Financial contributions secured through S106 agreements 2023 / 24	Source
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9 x affordable housing units, water neutrality mitigation, delivering of passive houses, delivery of public pedestrian route	Egmont Road, Easebourne SDNP/22/01858/FUL
Nitrate mitigation land (Habitat Bank)	Warnford Park, Southampton
Restriction on planning permission implementation	Wickwoods Country Club, Hassocks SDNP/22/00239/FUL

Other site or development specific requirements, including variation of deeds, occupancy restrictions, provision of street furniture, schedule of specific works, creation of Management Companies and highways and estate / land management matters are not listed within Table 5.

S278 Agreements secured in 2023 / 24

Section 278 Highway Agreements (S278) have been secured in relation to the following developments in 2023 / 24.

Development site	Detail
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Land east of Harrier Way, Petersfield SDNP/21/04472/FUL	S278 and/or Section 38 Agreement
Cowdray Works Yard, Easebourne SDNP/21/04040/FUL	S278 and/or Section 38 Agreement

S106 Allocated and unspent

The total amount of money (received under any planning obligation) which was allocated but not spent during 2023 / 24 was £1,309,452.82²⁴. A summary of the projects and amount of money allocated is set out in Table 6²⁵.

Table 6: Summary of infrastructure to which money has been allocated

Infrastructure Provision	Parish / Town	Funds allocated and unspent in 2023 / 24	Notes
Affordable Housing Provision, former Pells Primary School Site, Lewes	Lewes	£4,242.72	
Affordable Housing – Midhurst CLT, Egmont Road	Easebourne	£166,812.91	
Hampshire County Council – Pulens Lane Transport Improvements	Petersfield	£1,088,328.98	
Petersfield – Festival Hall Council Chamber	Petersfield	£183,068.21	

²⁴ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(e)

²⁵ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(g)

S106 Spend in 2023 / 24

The total amount of money (received under any planning obligations) which was spent by the SDNPA (including transferring it to a relevant organisation to spend) in 2023 / 24 was £827,314.32²⁶. A summary of the infrastructure on which money has been spent is set out in Table 7²⁷.

Table 7: Summary of S106 Spend in 2023 / 24

Parish / District & Project	Amount
Affordable Housing – East Hampshire District Council, Petersfield	£3,169.08
Affordable Housing – Former Pells Primary School Site, Lewes	£315,000.00
Affordable Housing – Westbourne	£49,000.00
Affordable Housing – Winchester City Council, improvements to existing stock	£92,030.26
East Hampshire District Council - Community Project Worker	£23,041.22
East Hampshire District Council - Petersfield Changing Places Toilet	£3,348.00
Fernhurst - Primary School Toilet Improvements	£5,143.68
Fernhurst - Primary School Security Access Phase 2	£2,816.40
Fernhurst - Primary School Security Gate	£3,785.64
Fernhurst Primary School Replacement Windows	£1,840.00
Hampshire County Council - Pulens Lane Transport Improvements	£133,000.00

²⁶ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(f)

²⁷ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(h)(i)

²⁸ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(h)(ii)

Parish / District & Project	Amount
Provision of Co Wheels, Malling Street, Lewes	£7,060.47
Nitrate Monitoring Fees 2023	£139,354.04
Pyecombe - Gateway Entry Project	£26,331.60
Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership 2023	£15,597.19
West Sussex County Council - Drewitts Farm - Fire & Rescue, Library, Transport contributions	£6,796.74

The SDNPA has not borrowed any money and therefore no money has been spent on repaying money borrowed²⁸.

£51,818.29 has been spent in respect of monitoring the delivery of planning obligations in 2023 / 24²⁹. Since October 2019, the SDNPA has charged monitoring fees, in order to recover the costs of this work.

A total of £2,571,289.79 was retained at the end of financial year. No money has been retained for the purposes of longer-term maintenance (known as a commuted sum)³⁰.

²⁹ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(h)(iii)

³⁰ Schedule 2, Paragraph 3(i)

5. Allocation of 2023 / 24 CIL Receipts

As set out previously, CIL will help to bridge the funding gap in delivering infrastructure but it will never resolve it. Therefore, there is a need to prioritise the projects. For a realistic prioritisation exercise to take place, it is necessary to consider infrastructure needs across the South Downs National Park in its totality as well as infrastructure requirements generated by large scale development schemes on the boundary of the National Park.

Consequently, the SDNPA has drawn together all the infrastructure requirements identified by the SDNPA, local communities (including Parish / Town Councils), Districts / Boroughs and County Councils and other stakeholders necessary to support the planned growth in the South Downs Local Plan and made Neighbourhood Development Plans during the lifetime of those plans. Interested parties were invited to review previous projects identified and to submit new ones.

In total there are over **340** projects. The list of projects which could receive CIL funding is provided in **Appendix B**. It should be noted that costs identified for a project are indicative as, in many cases, the full design and implementation costs have not yet been determined.

All the infrastructure projects listed within Appendix B have been separated into 4 categories, critical, essential, high policy priority and desirable.

Categorising projects is always going to involve an element of judgement and the category that a project falls within may change over time. It is also clear that the level of CIL receipts available to the SDNPA each year is not going to cover most of the projects submitted for consideration. Further details on how the SDNPA categorises and prioritises projects for funding (including governance arrangements) is set out in **Appendix C**.

For this IBP, **no projects** were identified as being critical, **8 projects** were identified as essential, **127 projects** as high policy priority and the remaining as desirable.

In 2023 / 24 the SDNPA collected £1,953,835.86, excluding Parish Payments and administration costs (5%) this leaves **£1,543,691.87** to allocate to infrastructure projects.

In addition to the £1,543,691.87, there is a further **£369,956.57** to reallocate, this money is from:

- £110,986.97 'claw back' from the 2018 / 19 allocation to East Sussex County Council which has not been spent.
- £258,969.60 'claw back' from the 2018 / 19 allocation to West Sussex County Council which has not been spent.

Therefore, the total to be allocated to projects is **£1,913,648.44**.

The approach of the SDNPA is to seek to spend the money on the delivery of infrastructure as soon as it is possible rather than retain it.

Since October 2021, the SDNPA decided to no longer split its CIL receipts into two pots (as it has done for previous years). Projects put forward for funding (and existing projects to be reviewed) will be assessed in accordance with the process set out in **Appendix C** and money allocated accordingly.

The **£1,913,648.44** has been allocated to the projects set out in Table 8 below.

2023 / 24 CIL Receipts - Allocation

The SDNPA has allocated **£1,913,648.44**, to the following **1 Essential** and **26 High Policy Priority Projects** (all projects are listed in Appendix B).

Table 8: 2023 / 24 CIL Allocations

Project	2023 / 24 Allocation
Centurion Way Phase 2	£724,508.44
Lower Ouse Valley - Access for All Project (upgrade to a number of paths and infrastructure - linking to train stations and attractions in and around the area)	£245,000.00
Winnall Moors Nature Reserve - replacement of existing boardwalks	£150,000.00
Cycle Route R90 - Lewes	£120,000.00
Selbourne School - building extension to enable 'wrap around care'	£100,000.00
Petersfield Health - Access and Toilet improvements	£75,000.00
Meon Valley Trail - Access Ramp at Soberton	£75,000.00
East Meon - 5 ways Byway Upgrade	£50,000.00
Seven Sisters Country Park - towards a signalised pedestrian crossing	£50,000.00
Downs to the Sea - RSPB Pulborough and Amberley, improving wetland and grazing habitats	£50,000.00
Boosting Butser's Butterflies - restore and improve an area of priority habitat at Butser Hill Nature Reserve - re-establishing chalk grassland	£40,000.00
Alfriston Reedbed at Alfriston Clergy House	£38,000.00

Project	2023 / 24 Allocation
Queen Elizabeth Country Park - Changing Places and Visitor Facilities - (installation of Changing Places Toilet and separate fully accessible shower / changing block)	£30,000.00
Chawton House - restoration of walled garden	£30,000.00
Burpham Village Hall - refurbishment to include air source heat pumps, LED lighting, bike stands and outdoor tap etc	£20,000.00
Cheriton - Highway/ Public Realm Improvements (part of Community in South Downs Pilot Project)	£20,000.00
Northchapel Sports Club - installation of 'Muti-use Games Area'	£20,000.00
Midhurst - Revitalising Northern Gateway Project	£20,000.00
Rowlands Castle - Highway / Public Realm Improvements	£15,000.00
Lewes Railway Land - Winterbourne Stream Viewing Platform	£14,000.00
Falmer to Stanmer - visitor signage improvements	£7,000.00
The Green Room School, Kingsley School - Multi-purpose Pod (helping to deliver therapeutic needs)	£5,500.00
Hollycombe Primary School, Milland - tree planting	£4,000.00
100 Trees Project, Birchwood Wood Tree Planting, Fittleworth	£3,140.00
Petworth - Market Square Improvements (dropped kerbs)	£3,000.00
Stedham with Iping - Parish Improvements, Access to Local Information	£3,000.00
Wild Outdoor Education' - Ballard Close, Twyford	£1,500.00

The 2023 / 24 award is ring-fenced for 3 years to 2027. Should funding for these infrastructure projects no longer be required, the money will be made available to other projects.

6. Bidding for CIL Funding - 2024 / 2025

If you have an infrastructure project that you are seeking funds for, this is how you can apply and the process that the SDNPA will follow.

Stage 1: Annual call for projects

Once a year the SDNPA will have a 'call for projects', inviting local communities including Parish and Town Councils, County and District Councils, service providers and other stakeholders to put forward projects for CIL funding (this call for projects will also include a review of existing information / evidence of previously submitted projects).

Projects / bids can be submitted via the SDNPA's online application process – which can be found at www.southdowns.gov.uk

The next call for projects opens on 2 January 2025 and closes on 11 April 2025.

Some tips when applying for CIL

- Are you actually seeking funding for infrastructure? This covers a broad range of projects. However historical and feasibility studies are not deemed to be infrastructure and requests of money for these types of projects are unlikely to be successful.
- Ensure you are realistic about the likelihood and timing of the project. The SDNPA understand that priorities and issues can change however delays of a few years can place into question the deliverability of projects you may be promoting.
- If it is a large project, consider breaking it down into phases. Funding may be easier to secure in 'bite-sized' chunks and it helps the SDNPA to plan for the longer term.
- Projects in locations receiving, or expecting to receive, new housing development will be more successful than those that are not.

- Projects that deliver multiple benefits and are linked to the South Downs Partnership Management Plan will be more successful than those that do not.
- You must provide a figure of how much money you are looking for from the SDNPA. Those left blank or unknown are unlikely to be considered a high priority.
- Be clear about other sources of funding available or outstanding unspent S106 monies which could be used for your project.
- Where possible, your bid should include evidence of existing demands on infrastructure, the additional demands likely to arise from new development and the extent to which the existing infrastructure or services are capable of meeting those additional demands.

Stage 2: Assessment

Projects put forward for funding (and existing projects to be reviewed) will then be assessed in accordance with the process set out in **Appendix C**.

Stage 3: Preparing the Infrastructure Business Plan (IBP)

The IBP, including which projects will be allocated funding within that particular year, will be presented for formal approval at Planning Committee. Once approved, an 'in principle' agreement has been given to allocate those projects funding and successful applicants will be notified.

Projects not allocated CIL funding for that particular financial year will be carried over and reviewed for the following year(s) Infrastructure Business Plan. Applicants will be notified and asked to review and update their bids.

Stage 4: Receiving the Funds

Successful applicants will be invited to submit a more detailed application. The purpose of this will be to confirm in more detail the use of the funds, the responsible organisation, timescales, payment details and other project management arrangements.

Stage 5: Reporting on the spending

The SDNPA is required to report on how CIL money is spent and will be working with applicants on reporting progress every year. The SDNPA has created a short reporting form, which we will ask successful applicants to complete at the appropriate time. This information will then be published in the future IBP.

7. Monitoring and Review

Since 2020, the Government requires that an Annual Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS) is published by the 31 December each year. This IBP fulfils the requirements for an IFS. The IBP / IFS will be approved by the SDNPA's Planning Committee every year.

The CIL Regulations provide further information on how Parish / Town Councils should spend and monitor their allocations of CIL. For example, the CIL Regulations state that if Parish / Town Councils have not spent their CIL allocations made to them within five years of receipt the SDNPA can ask for the monies back. The exception to this is where a Parish / Town Council has identified 'up front' the need to fund an infrastructure project, where the CIL contributions accrued within the five-year period are insufficient to fund the project, but it can be demonstrated that there is a realistic prospect of the project being delivered during the timeframe of the South Downs Local Plan.

Further information on the IBP process, review and governance is set out in **Appendix C**.

8. Further Information

For further information on the Community Infrastructure Levy visit www.southdowns.gov.uk or email cil@southdowns.gov.uk.

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