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7th September 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

**ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY)
COMMITTEE**

A meeting of the above mentioned Committee has been arranged to take place on **THURSDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2016 at 6.00 PM** in the **COMMITTEE ROOM**, District Council House, Lichfield, to consider the following business.

Yours faithfully



Director of Transformation & Resources

**To: Members of Economic Growth, Environment and Development (Overview and Scrutiny)
Committee**

Councillors Cox (Chairman), Mrs Baker (Vice Chairman), Bamborough, Mrs Boyle, Drinkwater, Mrs Eagland, Mrs Evans, Miss Hassall, Marshall, Mills, Mosson, Smedley and Mrs Stanhope MBE.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of Interest
3. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on the 15th June 2016 (copy attached)
4. Work Programme (copy attached)
5. Castle Dyke/Frog Lane Project (copy attached)
6. Lichfield District Economic Development Performance (copy attached)
7. Local Plan Update (copy attached)

Briefing Papers to be issued separately:

HS2
Development Control Performance

*Briefing Papers were introduced after the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Co-ordinating Group requested that the length and volume of agendas be addressed. Briefing papers, which are intended to provide Members with information on relevant issues, are an alternative to placing items on the Agenda. If Members wish a paper to be discussed it can be included on the Work Programme and scheduled for a future meeting.



**ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENVIRONMENT & DEVELOPMENT
(OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY) COMMITTEE
15th JUNE 2016**

PRESENT

Councillors Cox (Chairman), Mrs Boyle, Mrs Eagland, Mrs Evans, Miss Hassall, Marshall, Smedley and Mrs Stanhope MBE

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: were received from Councillors Bamborough, Mrs Baker (Vice-Chairman) Drinkwater, Mosson and Mills.

(In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No.17 Councillor Pritchard attended the meeting).

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st April 2016 as circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman subject to a spelling amendment.

WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee received the work programme. It was noted that for consistency, the membership of the Local Plan task Group would remain as last year.

RESOLVED: That the Work Programme be noted.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Members were reminded of the Terms of Reference for the Economic Growth, Environment & Development (Overview & Scrutiny) Committee.

RESOLVED: That the Terms of Reference be noted.

END OF YEAR PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW 2014/15 FOR DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

The Committee received a report on the progress against the relevant activities and projects set out in the District Council's One Year Action Plan for 15/16. Targets for proposed activity and performance indicators for 2016/17 were also reported.

It was confirmed that the legal challenge on the Local Plan were now concluded however there were outstanding Planning Appeals, the outcome of which would be known the following month.

The Committee were pleased to note that things were moving forward with the Burntwood Business Community and there had been positive discussions with London

and Cambridge Properties with a pre-application being received.

The Economic Development Service was discussed and it was reported that the Economic Strategy had taken longer to complete than originally estimated as Officers wanted to ensure there was a comprehensive consultation. It was noted that the Strategy had now been approved. When asked, it was reported that the service's success had been to aid the very low unemployment figures in the District and help influence the take up of retail units.

Moving onto Appendix B to the report, it was confirmed that the level of retail vacancies within the Lichfield and Burntwood centres were better than the national average. It was agreed by Members that this would improve further with the Friarsgate development as it will increase footfall and make all units attractive to retailers.

It was reported that although performance of the number of major planning appeals allowed at appeal had improved, there were still outstanding cases pending decision that could affect this.

RESOLVED: That the report and comments made be noted.

LOCAL PLAN UPDATE

Members considered a report updating them on progress with the Lichfield District Local Plan including the Site Allocation document, outstanding issues associated with the Birmingham City and Wider Birmingham Housing Market Area (GBHMA), Affordable Homes Policy and Neighbourhood Planning

It was reported that the legal challenges from IM Properties had created an impact on the progress of the Lichfield District Local Plan Allocations document. It was also reported that the distribution of 37,500 houses to accommodate Birmingham's shortfall had not been agreed. It was noted that it had already been included in the Local Plan that a full or partial review would be required to include this extra housing provision. It was noted that without agreement over the distribution of the GBHMA's unmet need, identifying how GBHMA's growth could be accommodated within Lichfield District Local Plan is challenging. A number of options were presented to the Committee of how best to do this and it was agreed that Option 1 as stated in the report would be the best way forward as it would allow for the Allocation Development Plan to progress and address the Birmingham issue through a partial review when known.

When asked, it was reported that the definition for Gypsy and Travellers had changed which could affect the amount of land supply required over the five years and evidence was being gathered on this.

Affordable Housing in rural areas was then discussed and it was reported that there had been a successful appeal by the Government to overturn the previous ruling that the national threshold for affordable houses should be removed from the planning practice guidance. Members were reminded that the Local Plan Strategy did have Policy H2 which uses the national thresholds in relation to affordable housing. Following the original ruling which removed the national thresholds, an informal council policy was approved to require affordable housing on smaller sites in the rural areas. It was reported that the success of the Government appeal meant this informal policy was now out of line with national guidance and Policy H2 in the Local Plan Strategy should be used when determining planning applications.

Members were concerned that housing was being lost through the Right to Buy scheme with RSL's but not being replaced. Members felt that although national Government guidance should be adhered to, there would be implications for rural areas and it was suggested that there be a joint Member Task Group with the Community, Housing & Health (Overview & Scrutiny) Committee to consider these further. Neighbourhood Plans were discussed and it was noted that some communities had become frustrated that applications had been approved out of line with their plan. It was noted that the public perception of the power of neighbourhood planning was greater than the reality.

RESOLVED: (1) That the outstanding issues associated with meeting Birmingham's housing need be noted and Option 1 as stated in para 3.13 of the report be supported;

(2) That the development of a resource plan associated with taking forward the Local Plan be supported;

(3) That the development of an updated Local Development Scheme in line with the approach recommended at para 3.13 be supported;

(4) That the withdrawal of the Council Policy adopted on 8th December 2015 in relation to the delivery of affordable housing be recommend to Cabinet;

(5) That as far as affordable housing on small rural sites is concerned, the approval of the use of the adopted Local Plan Strategy Policy H2: Provision of Affordable Homes as a material consideration in the determination of relevant planning applications be recommend to Cabinet; and

(6) That the progress reported in relation to Neighbourhood Plans within Lichfield District be noted.

(The Meeting closed at 7.05pm)

CHAIRMAN

ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY) COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2016-17

Item	15 Jun	15 Sept	25 Jan	29 Mar	Details/Reasons	Link to 2016/17 One Year Action Plan	Officer	Member Lead
Policy Development								
Terms of Reference	✓						Christine Lewis	

ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY) COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2016-17

Item	15 Jun	15 Sept	25 Jan	29 Mar	Details/Reasons	Link to 2016/17 One Year Action Plan	Officer	Member Lead
<p>Local Plan – Strategy, Land Allocations and Monitoring.</p> <p>Associated Neighbourhood Plans and Community Infrastructure Levy</p>	✓	✓	*	*	<p>To receive reports on the preparation and implementation of the Lichfield District Local Plan, associated Neighbourhood Plans and infrastructure delivery mechanisms</p> <p>The Lichfield District Local Plan when finalised and adopted will establish spatial policy for Lichfield District. An overarching Strategy has been adopted. A detailed land allocations document with development management policies is now scheduled to be prepared.</p> <p>To receive reports on progress with Neighbourhood Plans which are being prepared by designated neighbourhood areas.</p> <p>In agreeing a Development Strategy for Lichfield District it is important to identify related infrastructure requirements and the means by which these will be delivered including using developer contributions obtained under the Community Infrastructure Levy.</p>	<p>Prepare a Local Plan including principles of sustainable development and the protection of key built and natural environmental assets</p> <p>Deliver increased levels of affordable housing to meet varied requirements across the District</p>	Ashley Baldwin	

ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY) COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2016-17

Gbslep – delivering a more effective and consistent planning system				✓	Review of system		Sean Coghlan	
Castle Dyke/Frog Lane project		✓			To create a Task and Finish Group to consider the LDC project on concept design work for the Frog Lane/Castle Dyke		Sarah Woffenden/ Helen Bielby	
High Speed 2 – Phases 1 and 2		*			<p>To receive information in respect of the proposals for a High Speed rail line which as a first phase would run between the West Midlands and London with a second phase providing links to Manchester and Leeds</p> <p>The Government has confirmed its support for a High Speed rail network with the initial focus being on developing a high-speed link between London and the West Midlands known as HS2. A Hybrid Bill was deposited in Parliament in November 2013 seeking the necessary approvals and is currently going through the House of Commons Select Committee stage. Proposals and consultation in respect of Phase 2 will be published in due course.</p>	Whilst maintaining a fundamental objection to HS2, the District Council via the Local Plan for Lichfield recognises the need to identify local transport priorities. If HS2 gains the necessary parliamentary approvals the District Council working with partners will need to consider how best to maximise any benefits and these will be dependent upon improved transport connectivity	Craig Jordan	

ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY) COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2016-17

Performance monitoring	✓		✓		To consider the performance of the Directorate against the 15/16 Action Plan (June meeting) and the 16/17 Action Plan top 10 for Development (January meeting)	N/A	Richard King	TBA
Friarsgate Scheme	*				To receive updates on progress of the project	Work with developers to move forward the Friarsgate Shopping Centre Scheme	Helen Bielby	
Lichfield City Centre Business Improvement District					To receive reports and briefing papers on the progress of BID proposals relating to Lichfield City Centre.		Elizabeth Thatcher	
Lichfield District Economic Development Performance		✓			To receive update reports/briefing papers on the economic performance of Lichfield District in 2016/17.		Matt Fletcher	

ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY) COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2016-17

Review of The Lichfield District's 2015 Festivals and Events Programme and Preview of 2017 Programme				*	To outline to the Committee the extent and success of the Lichfield District 2015 Festivals and Events Programme and to outline the proposed 2016 programme.	s that we will help 'boost business' and the local economy by supporting and delivering an extensive programme of events and festivals that builds upon the district's cultural reputation, the enthusiasm of local organisations and people and realise the potential of our historic assets and iconic locations.	Lizzie Thatcher	
Car Park Management				✓	To receive reports and briefing papers on the operation of the Councils Car Parks and Car Parking Strategy. To receive reports and briefing papers on on-street Car Parking Enforcement following the transfer of responsibilities to Staffordshire County Council		John Roobottom	
Development Control Performance		*		✓	To brief the Committee on Development Control performance		Claire Billings/Se an Coghlan	

Friarsgate, Public Realm Works, Castle Dyke / Frog Lane

Report to; ECONOMIC GROWTH ENVIRONMENT & DEVELOPMENT (OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY) COMMITTEE.

Enter title of relevant Cabinet Member; Councillor Richard Cox

Date: 15th September

Agenda Item:

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Key Decision? NO

Local Ward Members Councillors Greatorex, O'Hagan and Smedley.



OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to set up a task and finish group for the Castle Dyke/ Frog Lane Public Realm project and to request confirmation from the O&S committee as to nominations to sit on the group.
- 1.2 The project relates to the proposed visual enhancement of Castle Dyke and Frog lane works which forms part of the Public Realm works aligned to the Friarsgate development.
- 1.3 Landscape Architects, Reform have been appointed by the District Council. An initial concept scheme has been developed, for proposals for public realm improvements to Castle Dyke and Frog Lane.
- 1.4 The proposals are complimentary to the proposed Friarsgate development and public realm design aspiration, the scope of the scheme is summarised below.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Overview & Scrutiny committee, approve setting up a task & finish group for the Castle Dyke and Frog lane visual enhancement works and nominate up to four members to sit on the group.

3. Background

- 3.1 The site of the proposed visual enhancement works to Castle Dyke / Frog Lane, extends from Castle Dyke junction with Wade Street and Frog Lane, to the junction with St John's Street. Located directly adjacent to this site, along the Southern edge of Frog Lane, is the proposed Friarsgate mixed use development. The scheme sets a precedent for the look and feel of surrounding public realm, with consideration & co-ordination of materials, levels and character to provide one coherent scheme.

As part of the wider, City objective. Castle Dyke is integral to enhancing & improving the legibility and connectivity from the transport hubs through to the historic core & retail centre.

The proposed landscaping and public realm will prioritise pedestrian movement, adopting principles of shared surface, whilst managing movement and speed of vehicles.

The vehicular routes are heavily trafficked with service delivery vehicles and should be designed to accommodate the variety and frequency of these vehicles.

Consideration will need to be given to removing elements of on street parking. Provision will be made for ambulance drop at Home Lodge House, spaces for drop off outside the Garrick theatre. The new street design will encourage blue badge car parking within the new Friarsgate car park rather than on street as currently.

3.2 Available funding stands at £500k from LDC S106, with potential for additional £500K GBS LEP funding.

3.3 It is proposed to develop the scheme to be in a position to undertake public consultation.

Key consultees identified are as follows:-

- Staffordshire County Council Highways
- Garrick Theatre
- Home Lodge House
- Retailers
- Lichfield Civic Society
- Lichfield District Council- Street scene, cleansing officer, landscape and Public realm officer.

3.4 The recommendation to form a task and finish group for this project, with nominated members representation, is supported by the requirement to undertake comprehensive consultation and considered development of the project to support the overall aspiration of the Friarsgate development.

Alternative Options	1. That the Council do not set up the Task & Finish group and progress developing the project without this representation. It was considered that the project would be more efficiently considered & would benefit from this wider review & consultation.
Consultation	1. Consultation has been undertaken with Stafford County Council Highways representatives at a meeting on 26 th July 2016. The scheme is to be further developed before wider public consultation is planned & undertaken.
Financial Implications	1. None identified, beyond the project implementation budget.
Contribution to the Delivery of the Strategic Plan	1. A key target for the Council is the implementation of the Friarsgate scheme. The public realm, visual enhancement works is an associated project, closely aligned to the Friarsgate Development.
Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Implications	1. The proposal does not diminish any rights under the Human Rights Act 1998.
Crime & Safety Issues	1. No impact identified

	Risk Description	How We Manage It	Severity of Risk (RYG)
A	Non identified		
B			
C			
D			
E			

Background documents- None

Relevant web links -None

Lichfield District – Economic Performance

Cllr Ian Pritchard – Cabinet Member

Date: 15th September 2016

Agenda Item: 6

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Key Decision? NO

Local Ward Members

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**ECONOMIC
GROWTH,
ENVIRONMENT AND
DEVELOPMENT
(OVERVIEW AND
SCRUTINY)
COMMITTEE**

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides details of the Council's arrangements for promoting and realising economic development in Lichfield District and the contribution these make to achieving the ambitions of the Authority in this area. The report also provides information on the Key Performance Indicators which will be used to measure the effectiveness of policy.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Committee notes the arrangements in place for delivering on economic development ambitions within Lichfield District, the work being undertaken in line with the Council's Strategic Plan and Economic Development Strategy and the key indicators of performance measuring the state of the local economy.

3. Background

- 3.1 As members will be aware the Council has recently approved its Strategic Plan covering the period 2016-2020. One of the key ambitions of the Plan is to deliver by 2020 a vibrant and prosperous economy signified by the following:
- More local jobs and more people in employment
 - More new businesses locating in the District
 - More businesses succeeding
 - More visitors visiting the District and greater spend
 - A regenerated and thriving Lichfield City Centre and much improved retail offer in Burntwood.
- 3.2 To deliver on the above ambitions the Council has prepared and adopted an Economic Development Strategy together with an associated Action Plan. The Strategy and Action Plan set out a series of actions grouped under the headings of place, business and people and against each of these actions identifies the lead delivery body and where relevant supporting partners. The intention is that the Strategy will form the basis for all ED activity involving the Council and other stakeholders over the next 4 years.

- 3.3 Partnership working is the key to economic development. Whilst the Council has a vital role to play in encouraging job and business growth in the District, it needs to work with a number of other bodies including local businesses and their representative organisations. This fundamental aspect was highlighted through the Fit for the Future Review (FFF) of ED services undertaken in 2015/16.

Shared Service Arrangements

- 3.4 In 2009 and prior to the ED services review last year, the Council entered into a working relationship with Tamworth Borough Council. This was in recognition of the existence of geographical and functional relationships between Lichfield District and Tamworth Borough but also a desire to make the best use of available resources and specialist knowledge in respect of Economic development. Under the arrangement Tamworth BC has lead on the delivery of key ED services across the two Authorities defined via a Service Level Agreement (SLA) and annual business plans. Since 2009 this relationship has developed and was confirmed as appropriate through the FFF Review.
- 3.5 Although TBC lead on a number of cross cutting service areas, it is acknowledged that there is a role for the District Council and hence over the years there has been a refining of the working relationship with the District Council focusing on dealing with Lichfield specific matters.
- 3.6 The current Lichfield DC-Tamworth BC SLA was agreed in April 2016 and obliges Tamworth BC on behalf of Lichfield District Council to carry out the following:

SS1 - Business Support – To provide information on business support, general business opportunities and how to access these, and intelligence on the local economy. This will also include delivery of support programme where the two authorities collectively are a partner in that delivery.

SS2 – Business Engagement – To provide a means for business to engage with the council and its partners through structured events and programmes.

SS3 – Communications Activities – To coordinate communications to and with the business community, mainly via digital means.

SS4 – Strategic Thinking – To liaise and coordinate joint strategic positioning in the areas of business support, engagement and communications, particularly in the context of the Local Enterprise Partnerships.

- 3.6 Due to the diverse and often complex nature of Economic Development activity, a significant proportion of service delivery crosses numerous core areas. Having regard to the above themes the following paragraphs summarise the nature of activity that has or is being undertaken.

BUSINESS SUPPORT

European Funding Programmes:

The service has been instrumental in designing, influencing and supporting two significant EU funded business support programmes. Officers from both Councils lead on delivery of these funds in the local areas.

- **Business Growth programme (BGP) -**

Launched in July 2016, the Business Growth Programme is an umbrella brand for four business grant funds that offer Small to Medium Enterprises grants of up to 60% of between £10, 000 to a maximum of £200, 000, in return for the creation of jobs and related business growth. It runs, subject to funding, until December 2018. The programme is administered by Birmingham City

Council and covers the following LEP areas: GBS, Stoke & Staffs and Marches LEP. Officers are responsible for engaging with businesses and stakeholders in the local area to promote the programme and support eligible businesses through the application process. The service has already been proactive in visiting businesses, speaking to intermediaries such as accountants/solicitors and contacting prospective visitors directly via email or letter.

- **Enterprise programme -**

Due to be launched in October 2016, the Enterprise Programme is focused on Business Start Ups, supporting individuals through the process of thinking about starting their own business, through to running a successful business. This programme covers the GBS LEP area, with the Districts across Southern Staffordshire having their own allocated business adviser support. The District and Shared Service have been heavily involved in the procurement of a suitable supplier for the contract and designing the service to meet local needs.

Both the Enterprise and Business Growth Programmes offer the Council an excellent engagement tool and insight into businesses. Through economies of scale, in particular joint marketing activities, the Council can build relationships and gain intelligence with local businesses it may not previously have interacted with. Both schemes require officer time from each Authority to be matched to the project in order to draw down funding. BGP also allows the Council to receive a grant back from the programme of up to 60% of the total Officer time matched, to a maximum of £17,250.

- **Calls for EU Funding -**

Significant work has also been focused on the development of calls for EU funding across the transition area of Southern Staffordshire, as part of the GBSLEP. Officers have worked with partners to identify gaps in provision and address these in particular around the areas of Innovation and Carbon Reduction. Due to the result of the EU referendum calls for future funding have now been put on hold.

Growth Hubs:

Each LEP area has a Growth Hub, with which the service actively engages with, as follows:

- **GBSLEP -**

The service is a key part of the GBSLEP growth hub, with Officer representation on the Management Board, on behalf of the districts of Southern Staffordshire. The Council has now adopted the Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system procured through the Growth Hub, used by all partners, Evolutive, and uses this to log all business enquiries. In return the Council can access data and intelligence on all businesses within the District that other partners have engaged with. The Council has recently met with a representative from the Growth Hub to discuss how best to work together to meet local business needs.

The GBSLEP Growth Hub also comprises a website, or knowledge bank that the service keeps up to date with information on relevant local support.

- **Stoke & Staffs LEP -**

The Council continues to deal with referrals from the Growth Hub and attends relevant Enterprise Round Table meetings in order to share good practice and understand the business support landscape in Staffordshire.

The service continues to signpost businesses to both Growth Hubs as both have slightly different offers that may be of benefit. Both Growth Hubs are increasingly working together to share information and referrals.

BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION

Over the past 6 months the service has focused on how it markets itself to the business community. With the assistance of an external PR and Marketing company, Clarke Associates, the service has reviewed how it communicates with businesses across all formats. This has resulted in a short, practical strategy which has been adopted to assist in business engagement.

The outcomes of this are now taking shape and include:

- A customer focused website (www.tlforbusiness.co.uk) with a more professional look and feel, based on demand and usage, with a tone suitable to the intended audience.
- Photography of local businesses and commercial centres for use in social media and publications.
- An E-newsletter that has a circulation of approximately 2000 businesses a quarter with an average open rate of around 20%.
- Enhanced social media reach with more regular improved content.
- The offer of free professional copy writing for local businesses focusing on promoting local success stories, in conjunction with dissemination to relevant media outlets.

BUSINESS SUMMIT 2016

In September 2015 the service launched the Lichfield and Tamworth Business Survey at a highly successful Business Summit held at Drayton Manor. The service is looking to deliver a similar event in November of this year, and has been working closely with the Staffordshire Business Festival (SBF).

The SBF is a two week long series of events being organised by the Burton Chambers of Commerce in conjunction with the two Chambers of Commerce that cover Staffordshire; Greater Birmingham Chambers and Staffordshire Chambers. The festival runs from the 7th November to the 18th November 2016 and will be delivered across numerous venues in Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent. It comprises a Headline event on each day with a number of smaller events being run in conjunction with businesses, business support organisations and Local Authorities. The shared service has contributed towards the event and is classified as a sponsor. In return for this contribution the Festival; provides physical support in organising local events; has budget for event delivery; provides marketing; provides contacts with key speakers and organisations.

The intention of the Summit is to focus on how the service intends to deliver the actions resulting from the Business Survey and provide an exhibition on the range of business support opportunities currently available. More details will follow once final details have been agreed.

STRATEGIC REPRESENTATION

The service continues to represent the Council at significant strategic meetings, including but not limited to, Growth Hubs, Local Enterprise Partnerships (sub groups and committees), Make It Stoke and Staffs Investment Board and Steering Groups and the local board of the Chamber of Commerce. Its role at these meetings is about influencing key decisions that have an impact on the local Economy and steering available resources, either controlled by the Council or other stakeholders, efficiently to gain the best possible outcome.

FUTURE DELIVERY

The service will continue to focus on the services mentioned above with the onus being on the delivery and design of business support schemes that create jobs and provide engagement with the local business community. Services will be explored that look to address gaps highlighted by the recently completed business survey and through any additional intelligence that may come to light.

A significant priority of the Council and the service in the forthcoming months will be taking a practical approach to how the District can actively encourage Inward investment and further encourage indigenous business growth. Work is underway to define an approach to this and will be reported on later in the financial year.

Lichfield District Focus

- 3.7 As stated previously the shared service provides for a series of strategically focused services. The District Council using its own resources complements the aforementioned and seeks to deal with the following:
- business enquiries relating to Lichfield District ensuring that these are signposted appropriately to other Lichfield Council services relevant to their needs;
 - responding to business enquiries relating to Lichfield District referred by the GBSLEP and SSLEP Growth Hubs;
 - ensuring that enquiries are recorded on any shared system for collating, monitoring and analysing enquiries;
 - providing data as required by the GBSLEP and SSLEP Growth Hubs held independently of the shared systems;
 - facilitating attendance at local business networking groups as deemed appropriate;
 - contributing towards the design, development and delivery of Lichfield District specific initiatives and projects managed by others, for example town centre initiatives, tourism management and development, worklessness projects and local commissioning.
 - Supporting the delivery of day to day activity of externally funded projects and programmes where they concern Lichfield District businesses
 - Developing and submitting bids for external funding to support Council projects and schemes
- 3.8 Lichfield District Council Officers have been actively marketing the recently launched Business Growth Programme to the local business sector. This has been carried out by means of press release, website features and social media activity, in addition to direct targeting of potentially eligible businesses throughout the district via letter and e mail. We are now in the process of chasing up the letters and emails with phone calls to encourage businesses to apply.
- 3.9 In Burntwood, Lichfield District Council played a central role in delivering the Ryecroft Shopping area environmental improvements, which helped raise the profile of the Burntwood Business Community

(BBC) in its early days. Having facilitated the handover of the High Street Innovation Fund to the BBC in 2015, we continue to offer support to the group whilst also allowing them to operate autonomously from the Council. This follows on from the formation of management committee and written constitution which enabled the group to operate independently and raise its own funds. To date, the BBC has established a shop front improvement scheme to help improve the character of the high st (match funded by businesses) in addition to other public realm improvements. The BBC is also actively involved in organising events to help increase footfall in and around the Burntwood area. In terms of recent developments, LDC has been invited to support the BBC this autumn to explore new town centre regeneration initiatives as well as help raise general awareness of the group via our communications channels.

Measuring Performance

- 3.10 The various activities outlined in the previous paragraphs of this report are aimed at providing for sustainable economic growth for the benefit of the District, its residents and business. Whilst care needs to be taken in interpreting the effectiveness of the various interventions (compared with trends that would occur in any event), it is important to be able to identify key assessments of performance as they relate to the stated ambitions set out in the Strategic Plan and Economic Strategy.
- 3.11 Key Performance Indicators for the Vibrant and Prosperous Economy Pillar of the Council’s Strategic Plan have been agreed. Separate but related KPI’s have been developed to measure the impact of the Economic Development Strategy.

Strategic Plan Vibrant and Prosperous Economy – Key Performance Indicators

Objective	Measure	Detail
More local jobs and more people in employment	Economic Activity Rate	People, who are economically active, expressed as a percentage. People who are either in employment or unemployed and aged 16 to 64 as at 31 March
More local jobs and more people in employment	JSA Claimant Levels	Total number of Job Seekers Allowance claimants as at 31 March
More local jobs and more people in employment	ESA Claimant Levels	Number of Employment and Support Allowance Claimants as at 31 May
More new businesses locate in our district	Increase in business stock	Number of Business Births minus Deaths in financial year
More new businesses locate in our district	No. of businesses LDC charges for business rates	No. of businesses LDC charges for business rates at 31st March
More new businesses locate in our district	Birth of new businesses	Count of births of new enterprises. The business did not exist in the previous 2 years.
More businesses succeed	Business Death rate	Count of deaths of businesses from NOMIS Business Demography. The business did not exist in the following 2 years.

More businesses succeed	Business survival rate after 5 years	% age of businesses that survive 5 years. A business is deemed to have survived if it has survived for 5 years from the year of birth. Latest figures are 5 years survival from 2009
More visitors and greater visitor spend in our district	Visitor numbers to the district	Total Visitor Number to major attractions and events
More visitors and greater visitor spend in our district	Visitor spend in the district	Based on £33.00 per head - from Lichfield District Tourism Association (Based on Visit Britain Day Visitor Statistics £33 per visitor spend)
A regenerated Lichfield city centre and an improved retail offer in Burntwood	Retail-commercial vacancy rates	Retail - commercial vacancy rates for Lichfield and Burntwood compared with national/regional average.

Economic Development Strategy – Performance Indicators

3.12 The following PI's will apply as regards measuring implementation of the Economic Development Strategy:

Overall: Job growth, unemployment rate

Business: Enquiries handled, businesses assisted, business start-ups and survival rates, customer satisfaction

Inward Investment: Enquiries handled, investment levels, jobs created/safeguarded, customer satisfaction

Land/Premises & Infrastructure: Hectares of employment land developed; jobs supported/created, extent of broadband/High Speed Broadband coverage, customer satisfaction

Training and Employment: Workplace skill and wage levels, customer satisfaction

Town Centres/Regeneration: Retail vacancy rates, footfall

3.13 Given that both the Strategic Plan and Economic Strategy are new documents and are only just beginning being implemented it is too soon to identify their impact. It should also be noted that the data for performance measures is collected over varying timescales e.g. quarterly and in many cases annually. Results for all KPI's will be reported in due course to members but for the purposes of this report the most recent data available is set out at **Appendix A.**

3.14 In this report the Council's ambitions for economic development in Lichfield District are set out together with the arrangements that exist for delivering these. As well as taking a leading role itself, the Council will be working with and reliant upon a number of partners to help realise its goals, including Tamworth Borough Council via the shared service. Growing the local economy, providing for new businesses and supporting existing business, creating employment opportunities and increasing levels of inward investment and visitor spend will be the focus and important to the long term sustainability of the area.

Alternative Options	1. The Council has recently approved its Strategic Plan and Economic Development Strategy setting out goals for creating a vibrant and prosperous economy. A review of Economic Development services was undertaken in 2015/16 and this has confirmed the delivery arrangements detailed in this report.
Consultation	1. The EGED (O&S) Committee was briefed on the review of economic development services whilst this was being undertaken and also received reports on the Economic Development Strategy referenced in the report whilst the Strategy was in preparation.
Financial Implications	1. There are no specific financial issues raised by this report.
Contribution to the Delivery of the Strategic Plan	1. The Economic Development Strategy is aligned with and informed by the Council's recently approved Strategic Plan which contains a specific strategic objective of providing for a vibrant and prosperous economy by 2020. The activities and actions of the Council working with partners are intended to realise this overarching goal.
Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Implications	1. A vibrant and prosperous economy providing for jobs and wealth creation should allow for people currently unemployed to access work and for future generations to do the same. Investment in city and town centres will help safeguard existing businesses and enable new businesses to be established – healthy and viable centres will provide the necessary goods and services to support local communities.
Crime & Safety Issues	1. None.

	Risk Description	How We Manage It	Severity of Risk (RYG)
A	The ED Strategy fails to be implemented due to lack of resources or lack of action/support from partners	The ED Strategy has been prepared in consultation with partners and taking account of resource demands. The Council will monitor implementation of the associated Action Plan and ensure that delivery is taking place as agreed. If problems emerge early intervention should be possible due to monitoring and good working relationships with partners.	Green

Background documents: [LDC Economic Development Strategy 2016-2020](#), Lichfield and Tamworth Shared ED Service SLA April 2016

Relevant web links –

<https://www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/Business/Economic-development-strategy-2016-2020.aspx>
<https://www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/Council/Performance/Our-Strategic-Plan-2016-2020.aspx>

Monitoring of Key Performance Indicators

Outcome/Objective	PI	Definition	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
More local jobs and more people in employment	Economic Activity Rate	% economically active aged between 16 and 64	77.7	84.1	83.5
More local jobs and more people in employment	Job Seekers Allowance Claimants	Number as at March 31st	854	420	Data not yet available
More local jobs and more people in employment	Employment and Support Allowance Claimants	Number as at May 31	2440	2660	Data not yet available
More new businesses locate in the District	Increase in business stock	Number of business births minus deaths in financial year	150	170	Data not yet available
More new businesses locate in the District	Number of businesses LDC charges business rates for	As at 31 March	2883	2886	Data not yet available
More new businesses locate in the District	Birth of new businesses	Count of births of new enterprises – the business not having existed 2 years ago	540	520	Data not yet available
More businesses succeed	Business death rate	Count of deaths of businesses – the business did not exist after the following 2 years	390	350	Data not yet available
More businesses succeed	Business Survival rate	%of businesses that have survived for 5 years from year of birth (current base year 2009)	54%	47.1%	Data not yet available
More visitors and greater spend	Visitor numbers to the District	Total visitor numbers to major attractions and	5,352,718	5,457,146	Data not yet available

		events			
More visitors and greater spend	Visitor spend in the District	Based on £33.00 per head (Visit Britain Day Visitor statistics)	£176,639,694	£180,085,818	Data not yet available
Regenerated Lichfield City and Burntwood	Retail/Commercial Vacancy rates	Compared with current National Average – 12.5%	Lichfield 8.3%, Burntwood 6.25% (Dec. 2014)	Lichfield 9.15%, Burntwood 4.55% (December 2015)	Data not yet available

National Unemployment rate 1.3%

Lichfield District 0.4%

Source ONS July 2016 (figures for JSA claimants)

Local Plan update

Cabinet Member: Councillor I. Pritchard

Date: 15th September 2016

Agenda Item: 7

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Key Decision? NO

Local Ward
Members



**Economic Growth,
Environment and
Development (Overview
and Scrutiny)
Committee**

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 Following adoption of the Local Plan Strategy, the Council has made a commitment to progressing an associated Local Plan Allocations document. Progress is being made on the evidence gathering associated with the document.
- 1.2 The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a planning charge, introduced by the Planning Act 2008 as a tool for local authorities in England and Wales to help deliver infrastructure to support the development of their area. It came into force on 6th April 2010 through the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010.
- 1.3 Lichfield District Council's Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule, Regulation 123 list, Instalment Policy, In Kind Policy and Exemptions, Relief and Exceptional Circumstances Policy were all approved by Full Council on 19th April 2016. There is a commitment in the Regulation 123 list to update it on a regular basis and this is now necessary to provide clarity in relation to wording which has been identified through engagement with stakeholders since April 2016.
- 1.4 The Wiggington and Hopwas Neighbourhood Plan referendum will take place on the 29th September. A date for the Shenstone Neighbourhood Plan is due to be arranged.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Committee:
 - notes the progress associated with the Local Plan Allocations document,
 - recommends to Cabinet that it approves the undertaking of consultation on the revision to the CIL Regulation 123 list, and
 - notes the progress reported in relation to Neighbourhood Plans within Lichfield District.

3. Background

Local Plan Allocations update

- 3.1 The purpose of this section is to update Members on the progress of the Lichfield District Local Plan Allocations document.

- 3.2 Members will recall that at the EGED Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meeting on the 15th June 2016 officers presented the following three options for taking forward the Local Plan Allocations document:
- Option 1 – Progress with the Lichfield District Local Plan Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD) to deal with the remaining Local Plan Strategy requirements and commit to an early review of the Local Plan once the situation with regards to Birmingham is clearer. It is likely that a review would commence immediately upon adoption of the Local Plan Allocations.
 - Option 2 – Undertake a partial review of the Local Plan Strategy to take account of the Birmingham requirement along with producing site allocations to deal with remaining Local Plan Strategy requirements.
 - Option 3 – Commence a full Local Plan review to replace the adopted Local Plan Strategy and forthcoming allocations DPD with a single comprehensive Local Plan which also accounts for Birmingham’s housing need.
- 3.3 Officers recommended the progression of option 1, and this was confirmed. An updated Local Development Scheme (LDS) was presented to Cabinet on the 6th September 2016 in line with this option.
- 3.4 In preparing the Local Plan Allocations document the Council are required to undertake a technical consultation on a Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report. This process is on-going, with consultation closing on the 25th September. The purpose of the Scoping Report is to primarily assist in identifying a sustainability framework to assess any potential land allocations/ polices that are developed. Under the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 the Council is only required to consult with ‘defined statutory consultees’ (Natural England, Historic England and the Environment Agency). However, following good practice the consultation has been extended to include other Duty to Cooperate bodies and likely interested parties. In addition a copy of the document has been posted on the Council’s website.
- 3.5 Other technical work is progressing, specifically evidence is currently being developed on:
- Gypsy and Traveller Assessment of potential sites
 - Infrastructure Modelling
 - Saved policy Review
 - Centres Study
 - Urban Capacity Assessment

This evidence, along with existing evidence, will be used to inform a future Local Plan Allocations Publication consultation document. The above evidence gathering includes engagement with various bodies/ organisations that have expertise/ evidence that is essential to ensuring a sound plan is developed.

- 3.6 In preparing the Local Plan Allocations document officers are also openly consulting with anyone who has an interest in the Local Plan. In order to supplement this process a press release and questionnaire has been developed which seeks to raise awareness and inform of the development of the Plan. This is in line with the Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 3.7 The Local Plan Allocations public consultation on the Publication stage is scheduled for February 2017 onwards.

Community Infrastructure Levy – Regulation 123 consultation

- 3.8 The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a planning charge, introduced by the Planning Act 2008 as a tool for local authorities in England and Wales to help deliver infrastructure to support the development of their area. It came into force on 6th April 2010 through the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010. The CIL Charging Schedule sets out the rate of levy (£ sq. m) the authority will charge those types of development that are eligible to contribute toward infrastructure provision. The District Council's CIL submission was subject to examination in January 2016. Three modifications were recommended by the Examiner, and the amended CIL Charging Schedule supported by the Regulation 123 list, In Kind and Instalment Policies being subsequently adopted by Full Council on 19th April 2016. Charging was commenced on 13th June 2016.
- 3.9 Regulation 123 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) sets out the requirement for the CIL Charging Authority to publish a list of the infrastructure which may in whole or in part be funded through the CIL. To prevent double funding, items on this list cannot be funded through S106 agreements. Authorities may amend the Regulation 123 list without revising their charging schedule, subject to appropriate consultation. As noted in the currently adopted Regulation 123 list, it will be updated on a regular basis taking into account the Council's Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) and any changes to the CIL Regulations. The IDP has recently been updated and the Regulation 123 list has been amended (APPENDIX A) where necessary to reflect updates, to correct inconsistencies which have been identified and to clarify unclear wording. It is proposed to consult for a period of 4 weeks on the amendments to the current Regulation 123 list in line with the Statement of Community Involvement. It is considered that the proposed changes to the Regulation 123 List will have a minimal impact on the viability evidence that was considered by the Examiner.
- 3.10 APPENDIX A outlines any proposed deletions by striking through text, and identifies proposed new additions in red text. To summarise the key changes are:
- Additional supporting notes associated with how CIL relates to secondary school provision and any Section 106 provision.
 - Additional supporting notes associated with the need for Section 106 to support Biodiversity offsetting
 - Additional text to explain how the use of CIL will be applied in relation to the Cannock Chase SAC, as well as the need for Section 106's agreements in certain cases to ensure Habitat Regulation compliance.

Neighbourhood Plans

- 3.11 There are currently 16 designated Neighbourhood Areas in the District. Two Neighbourhood Plans - Stonnall and Little Aston - have now been made following adoption by Full Council subsequent to successful referendums.
- 3.12 Two further Neighbourhood Plans (Wigginton & Hopwas and Shenstone) have been successfully examined and following the publication of the Council's decision will now proceed to the referendum stage where local people will be asked to vote on whether they wish the respective Neighbourhood Plans to be brought into force. The referendum for Wigginton & Hopwas will take place on 29th September 2016. A date for the Shenstone Neighbourhood Plan referendum will be set following the decision of Cabinet on 6th September 2016.
- 3.13 Two further Neighbourhood Plans (Lichfield City & Longdon) have been published for 'pre-submission' consultation by their respective Parish Councils. Consultation on the Longdon Neighbourhood Plan

concluded on 21th August 2016 with the consultation on the Lichfield City neighbourhood Plan closing on 9th September 2016. The District Council has reviewed both draft plans and made representations outlining a number of recommended modifications to the documents.

3.14 A number of other Neighbourhood Plans are continuing to progress within communities and the District Council will continue to engage, providing advice and guidance to those communities when requested. The status of the District's emerging Neighbourhood Plans can be seen at www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplans.

Alternative Options	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The District Council could continue with the current Regulation 123 list as approved by Full Council on 19th April 2016 however without the proposed revisions to the Regulation 123 list there would be a lack of clarity between the uses of CIL and S106 obligations and could reduce the Council's capacity to secure S106 obligations which mitigate the impact of development.
Consultation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It is proposed that consultation on the revised Regulation 123 list will be undertaken for four weeks. 2. Consultation will be required on the Local Plan Allocations.
Financial Implications	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consultation is required as part of the planning process. It is expected the cost of complying with the recently adopted SCI will give better value than the previous SCI. 2. There are costs associated with developing the evidence base for the Local Plan Allocations 3. Officer time will be needed to run the consultation on the Local Plan Allocations and Regulation 123 list consultation 4. The District Council is required to publish a list of the infrastructure (Regulation 123 list) which may in whole or in part be funded through the CIL. Items on the Regulation 123 list cannot be funded through S106 agreements however by providing clarity this will enable S106 obligations to be levied where necessary to meet Habitats Regulations (where required) and to make a development acceptable in planning terms.
Contribution to the Delivery of the Strategic Plan	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Supports the priority of a vibrant and prosperous economy as it assists in the delivery of the planning function of the Council. 2. Supports the priority of a Healthy and Safe communities by ensuring the provision of housing. 3. Supports the priority of Clean, green and welcoming places to live by assisting in allocating land for affordable housing, as well as supporting the delivery of residential and commercial developments.
Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Implications	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. None, an Equality Impact Assessment would be required to accompany any Local Plan submission.
Crime & Safety Issues	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. None.

	Risk Description	How We Manage It	Severity of Risk (RYG)
A	If we do not have a clear and up to date Regulation 123 list the need for S106 contributions could be challenged.	Ensure that an up to date Regulation 123 exists to ensure the divide between CIL and S106 is clear and therefore supports the sustainable development of the area.	Yellow
B	If we do not have a clear and up to date Regulation 123 list the divide between what is funded through CIL and S106 would be unclear and the authority may be at risk from double counting.	Ensure that an up to date Regulation 123 exists to ensure the divide between CIL and S106 is clear and therefore supports the sustainable development of the area.	Yellow
C	The Government is currently conducting a review of CIL as to whether it is meeting its objectives of providing a faster, fairer, more certain and transparent means of funding infrastructure through developer contributions.	As and when the Government make any changes to CIL, the Council may have to review its administration of the charge.	Yellow

Background documents:

[Local Plan Strategy 2015](#)

[Sustainability Appraisal Scoping report consultation document](#)

[Lichfield District Council Community Infrastructure Levy](#)

[Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010](#)

[CIL Examination Report](#)

[Wiggington and Hopwas Neighbourhood Plan Information Statement](#)

[Wiggington and Hopwas Neighbourhood Examiners report](#)

[Wiggington and Hopwas Neighbourhood Lichfield District Council Decision statement](#)

[Wiggington and Hopwas Draft Neighbourhood Plan](#)

[Shenstone Neighbourhood Examiners report](#)

[Shenstone draft Neighbourhood Plan](#)

Relevant web links:

<https://www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/Council/Planning/The-local-plan-and-planning-policy/Local-plan/Local-Plan-Allocations.aspx>

<https://lichfielddc.gov.uk/Council/Planning/The-local-plan-and-planning-policy/Planning-obligations/Community-Infrastructure-Levy-CIL.aspx>



Lichfield District Council
Community Infrastructure Levy
Regulation 123 List

Effective from **Day/Month/2016**

What is the Community Infrastructure Levy?

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a charge on development, calculated on a £ per square metre (sq.m) basis of development. CIL is intended to be used to help fund infrastructure to support the development of an area rather than making an individual planning application acceptable in planning terms, which is the purpose of Section 106 Agreements. CIL does not fully replace Section 106 Agreements. For more information you can also:

- Visit the Council's CIL web pages: www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/CIL
- Read the CIL Planning Policy Guidance (PPG): <http://planningguidance.communities.gov.uk/blog/guidance/community-infrastructure-levy/>
- Email: CIL@lichfielddc.gov.uk
- Call Lichfield's Planning enquiry line: 01543 308174
- Visit the [Planning Portal](#).
- Lichfield District Council's Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document

What is this document?

CIL income from new development can be spent on anything that constitutes "infrastructure" as defined by Regulation 216 of the 2008 Planning Act and the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended). This includes but is not limited to: roads and other transport facilities, flood defences, schools and other educational facilities, medical facilities, sporting and recreational facilities, and open spaces. Regulation 123 of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended) sets out the need for local authorities to produce a list of "relevant infrastructure" which will be funded in whole or part by the CIL.

The Community Infrastructure Regulations 2010 (as amended) restricts the use of planning obligations secured through S106 agreements for infrastructure that will be funded in whole or in part by the Community Infrastructure Levy. This is to ensure there is no duplication between CIL and planning obligations in funding the same infrastructure projects. In addition, a development should not have to contribute twice towards the same piece of highways infrastructure through works carried out under Section 278 of the Highways Act 1980, and monies or land provided through CIL. The CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended) prescribe that a condition must not be imposed on the grant of planning permission to require a highway agreement for the funding or provision of infrastructure that is included on the Regulation 123 list, nor must a planning condition be used that prevents or restricts the carrying out of development (sometimes referred to as a 'Grampian condition') until a highway agreement has been entered into which is also included on the Regulation 123 list of infrastructure.

The relationship between CIL and planning obligations is explained in the Planning Practice Guidance¹ where it notes that it is possible that site specific mitigation may still be necessary subject to certain limits, namely:

¹ Paragraphs 93 to 107; Reference ID:25-093-20140612 to Reference ID: 25-107-20140612

- The application of the statutory test with respect to planning obligations (Regulation 122);
- Ensuring no overlap between CIL and planning obligations as noted above; and
- Imposing a limit on pooled contributions from planning obligations towards infrastructure that may be funded by the levy.

The list below sets out those infrastructure projects that Lichfield District Council currently intends may be wholly or partly funded by CIL, together with clarification notes and S106 requirements. The order in the table does not imply any order of preference for spend, it just signifies projects that will be considered by the council in its decision as to what might receive CIL funding. This list will be updated on a regular basis, taking into account the Council's Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) and any changes to the CIL regulations.

Transport

Infrastructure to be funded in whole or in part by CIL	Notes
<p>Completion of the Lichfield Southern Bypass via provision of new underbridge section.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section from east of new bridge structure to London Road to be delivered by developer as part of site access road layout. • New underbridge section will be funded by existing s106 and possible Local Growth Fund. • Section to west of new bridge delivered by gift of land from developers.
<p>Improvements to the Strategic Highway Network as identified by the Highways Agency at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muckley Corner • Swinfen • Further junction improvements and safer access to A38 (Hillards Cross and Fradley South) 	<p>CIL funds may be used to form part of package for Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) bids.</p>
<p>Transport improvement scheme from the integrated Transport Strategy for Lichfield:</p> <p>Lichfield City Centre Transport Package including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bus network improvements • Cycle and walking routes within the City • Electric Charging Points • Delivery of local traffic routing scheme • Designated Coach Parking area • Real Time Passenger Information, including signage to car parks <p>East Lichfield Local Transport Package (including Fradley) including:</p>	

- HGV routing and parking arrangements in Fradley

Burntwood Transport Package including:

- Cannock Road – public realm enhancements and access modifications
- Improved walking and cycling links from southern to northern Burntwood
- Bus access and service improvements linking to Cannock and Lichfield
- Burntwood Bus interchange

District wide measures including

- A5 (T) and A38 (T)
- Route signage Lichfield to Tamworth

Education	
Infrastructure to be funded in whole or in part by CIL	Notes
<p>Primary Education</p> <p>Primary School provision to deliver the Local Plan Strategy will be generated through S106 agreements apart from the following projects that may benefit from CIL funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansion of Hob Hill Primary School, Rugeley • Expansion of All Saint's Alrewas Primary School 	<p>S106 agreements will be required to secure the provision of primary education facilities to mitigate the need generated by site specific developments, and growth within the Strategic Development Allocations (SDAs) identified in the Lichfield District Local Plan as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South of Lichfield • Deans Slade Farm • Cricket Lane • East of Lichfield (Streethay) • Fradley • East of Burntwood Bypass • East of Rugeley • North of Tamworth (BDL)
<p>Secondary Education</p> <p>Delivery of Five Forms of Entry of additional secondary education facilities through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansion to Nether Stowe School • Expansion to The Friary School • Expansion to King Edward VI School 	<p>S106 agreements will be required to secure the provision of secondary education facilities (other than those to be funded through CIL) to mitigate the need generated by site specific developments.</p>

Open Spaces, Sporting and Recreational Facilities

Infrastructure to be funded in whole or in part by CIL

Notes

Open Space

Improvements to open space provision, including play provision for key sites, in line with the Open Space Assessment.

S106 agreements will be required to secure the on-site provision and maintenance of recreation and open space needs generated by growth within the Strategic Development Allocations (SDAs) and the North of Tamworth Broad Development Location identified in the Lichfield District Local Plan as:

- South of Lichfield
- Deans Slade Farm
- Cricket Lane
- East of Lichfield (Streethay)
- Fradley
- East of Burntwood Bypass
- East of Rugeley
- North of Tamworth Broad Development Location

Indoor Sports

CIL funds may be spent on improving indoor sports provision to serve Lichfield City and its hinterland as set out in the Swimming Pool and Sports Hall Feasibility Study 2013.

No specific elements for indoor sports provision have been identified for new S106 funding.

Playing Pitches

CIL funds may be spent on improving playing pitch provision in line with the deficiencies identified in the Playing Pitch, Tennis and Bowls Strategy.

S106 agreements will be required to secure the on-site provision and maintenance of playing pitch provision for the following SDA and the North of Tamworth Broad Development Location identified in the Lichfield District Local Plan as:

- South of Lichfield
- Deans Slade Farm
- Cricket Lane
- East of Lichfield (Streethay)
- Fradley
- East of Burntwood Bypass
- East of Rugeley
- North of Tamworth Broad Development Location

Environment and Biodiversity

Infrastructure to be funded in whole or in part by CIL

Notes

Environment and Biodiversity

CIL funds may be spent on improving the public realm, landscapes and habitats; and improving access to green space, to include:

- Chasewater Country Park improvements.
- Central Rivers Initiative projects.
- ~~Heathland management programme.~~
- Improvements to the canal network to improve Green Infrastructure Links.
- Local Nature Reserves.
- Woodland and hedgerow projects.

Except on sites identified as biodiversity offsetting recipient sites.

Infrastructure works relating to the restoration of the Lichfield and Hatherton Canal will potentially benefit from CIL funds, *apart from works required in relation to any on-site provision by the developers connected to the three SDAs in the vicinity of the canal: South of Lichfield, Deans Slade Farm, Cricket Lane.*

S106 agreements will be required to fund biodiversity offsetting measures where appropriate and as outlined in Local Plan Strategy 2008-2029 Policy NR3 and expanded upon within the Biodiversity and Development SPD.

Section 106 agreements will be required **where appropriate** to secure infrastructure works relating to the restoration of the Lichfield and Hatherton Canal for the three SDAs in the vicinity of the canal: South of Lichfield, Deans Slade Farm, Cricket Lane.

<p>Cannock Chase Special Area of Conservation</p> <p>CIL funds may be spent on measures for preventing harm to the Cannock Chase Special Area of Conservation (CCSAC) agreed by the Cannock Chase SAC partnership <i>i.e. the Strategic Access Management and Monitoring Measures (SAMMM) apart from works required in relation to interpretation panels and waymarking as identified in the SAMMM.</i></p>	<p>S106 agreements will be required for the Strategic Development Allocations (SDAs) to secure the provision of <i>bespoke</i> mitigation measures in relation to the Cannock Chase Special Area of Conservation <i>other than the mitigation contained within the SAMMM.</i></p> <p><i>To satisfy Habitats Regulations and prevent harm to the Cannock Chase SAC, contributions via S106 agreements/unilateral undertakings will be required towards car park construction by all new net dwellings which are not liable or exempt from CIL charges within the 0-8km Zone of Influence.</i></p>
<p>River Mease Special Area of Conservation</p> <p>CIL funds may be spent on measures for mitigating the impact of development upon the River Mease Special Area of Conservation (RMSAC) measures.</p>	

Other Infrastructure	
Infrastructure to be funded in whole or in part by CIL	Notes
<p>Flood Mitigation</p> <p>General measures may benefit from CIL funds.</p>	<p>Site specific SUDS will be secured through planning conditions or S106 agreements.</p>
<p>Health facilities</p> <p>CIL funds may be used where evidence is provided that there is no local capacity and expansion of services is required to support growth across the district.</p>	<p>S106 agreements will be required for the Strategic Development Allocations (SDAs) to secure the provision of health care as identified in the Local Plan Strategy concept statements.</p>

<p>Social and community facilities will benefit from the local slice of CIL funds (15-25%) raised within their area. These funds can be distributed by Parish Councils and any neighbourhood planning forums that emerge, in line with evidence of local need.</p>	<p>S106 agreements will be required for the Strategic Development Allocations (SDAs) to secure the provision of community centres/hubs as identified in the Local Plan concept statements.</p>
<p>Low Carbon Initiatives / Carbon Investment Fund</p> <p>CIL funds may be used to support the delivery of Local Plan policy SC1 which states: The District Council is developing a Carbon Community Fund (CCF) which will support the achievement of carbon targets through financial contributions.</p>	