

## What is the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)?

When a new development is built, it can bring with it additional residents, visitors or employees to the borough that can place pressure on our local infrastructure, services and facilities. Developers are required to contribute to the cost of new or improved infrastructure and services to help cope with this increased demand.

In some cases, developers (particularly on larger developments) may be required to pay for, or carry out, specific necessary improvements through a planning obligation (sometimes called a section 106 agreement).

However, in addition to this, developers of new homes and supermarkets may also be required to pay money through the **Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)** to help fund new and improved infrastructure and services to address the cumulative demands that can have on our area.

## How is the money collected through CIL divided up?

The money collected through CIL is pooled together to spend on improvements to infrastructure. It is then used in the following ways:

- **80% of the CIL collected will be used by the Council to fund strategic infrastructure.**  
These are typically more expensive projects that benefit large numbers of our residents, business and visitors. This could include major road and transport improvements, new or expanded schools, or enlarged or improved health facilities.
- **15% of the CIL collected within each area is set aside for local improvement projects.**  
These projects are typically more locally focussed and may be a priority in a particular area or benefit a specific town or community. This is the **CIL Local Fund**.
- 5% of the CIL collected is retained by the Council to cover the costs of administering, collecting and monitoring CIL to ensure that we maximise the money we collect.

Over the past 3 years, around £4m has been collected through CIL in total.

## Who spends the CIL Local Fund?

In Horley, Salfords and Sidlow the money collected into the CIL Local Fund is passed to the Town or Parish Council. They are then responsible for deciding how the money is spent.

In all other parts of the borough, the money is retained by the Borough Council who decides how the money is spent. These decisions are informed by ward councillors who work together in Area Advisory Panels to prioritise and recommend which projects they wish to fund in their area.

## What can the CIL Local Fund be spent on?

Money available through the CIL Local Fund must support the development of the local area by funding:

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

This could include, for example, providing a new pedestrian crossing or a new bus shelter, replacing old play equipment within a park or renovating a church hall, or running a community bus service. The Local Fund could also be spent on affordable housing.

Projects funded through the CIL Local Fund should also reflect the priorities expressed by local communities.

Examples of projects that have received funding through the CIL Local Fund:

- The refurbishment of the kitchen of Lower Kingswood Church Hall to provide a cleaner safer kitchen area that is wheelchair accessible
- The purchase and installation of Vehicle Activated Speed Signs for Fir Tree Road in Nork to promote highway safety
- Improvements to footpaths and signage in Reigate Castle Grounds to enhance a well-used public open space

## Share your ideas

Understanding your priorities for improvements using CIL funding will help the Council to prioritise suggested projects for investment. We are therefore running a survey open to all residents, local groups and local business between Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

As part of this consultation, we are encouraging local groups (such as residents associations, business guilds, sports clubs and community groups) and infrastructure providers (such as Environment Agency, NHS/GP practices, Surrey County Council) to suggest to us projects or improvements that they would like to deliver. Whilst these project suggestions would most helpfully be received within this period, we can accept them at any time and they can be made by completing and submitting a [Project Suggestion Form](#) to us at the address on the form.

## What happens next?

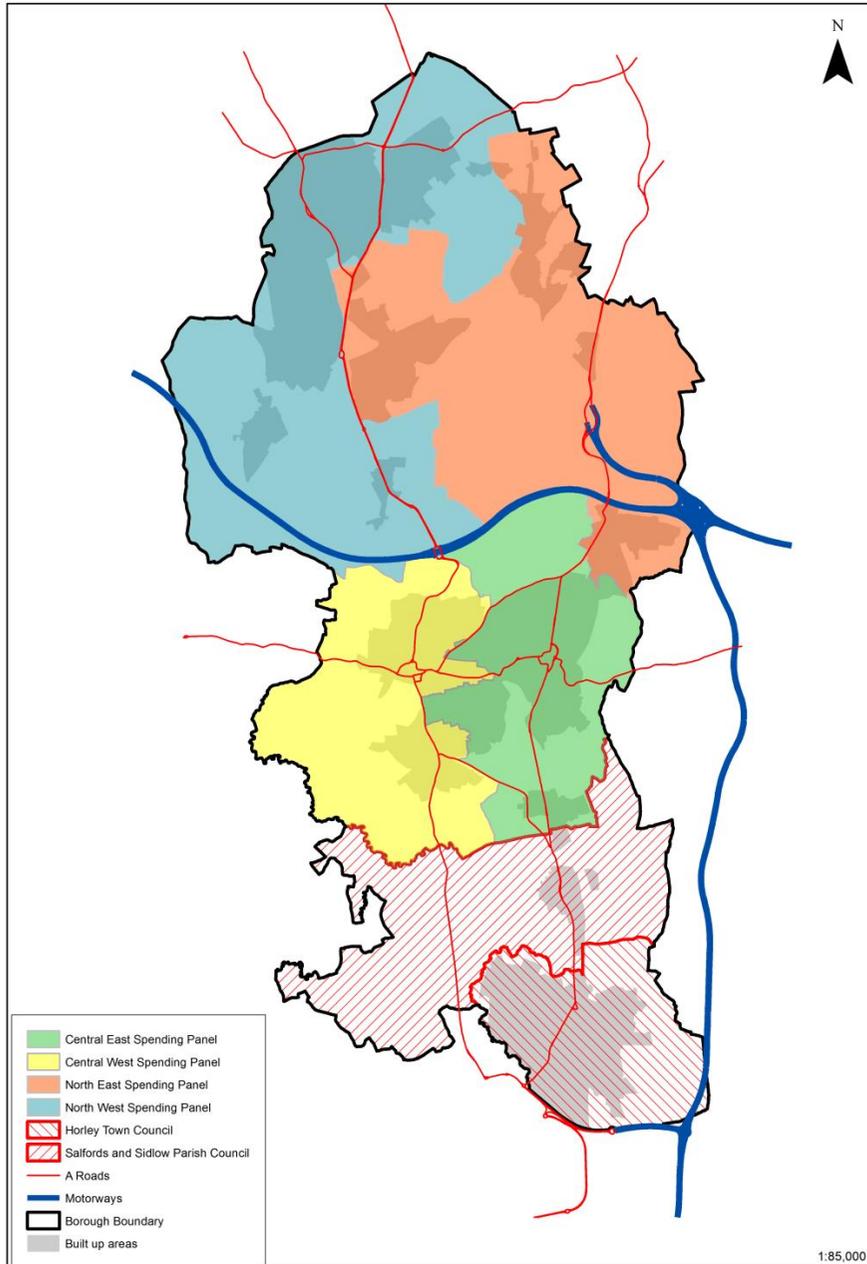
Once the survey closes, the results of the survey with suggested projects will be analysed. This information will then be put forward to ward councillors who will be asked to identify their priorities and recommend how they would like to see the money spent. Spending of local CIL is reported once a year on the Council's website.

## Contact us:

You can contact our CIL Team at: [CIL@reigate-banstead.gov.uk](mailto:CIL@reigate-banstead.gov.uk) or by calling 01737 276 178

You can find details of how to contact your local ward councillor at: <https://reigate-banstead.moderngov.co.uk/mgMemberIndex.aspx?bcr=1>

# CIL Local Fund Areas



**North East Area**  
 Chipstead, Kingswood & Woodmansterne  
 Hooley, Merstham & Netherne

**North West Area**  
 Banstead Village  
 Lower Kingswood, Tadworth & Walton  
 Nork  
 Tattenham Corner & Preston

**Central East Area**  
 Earlswood & Whitebushes  
 Meadvale & St John's  
 Redhill East  
 Redhill West & Wray Common

**Central West Area**  
 Reigate  
 South Park & Woodhatch