

Key Decision Details

Decision Name	Community Infrastructure Levy Spend Allocation
Date of Decision	17 March 2026
Decision maker	Cabinet

Describe the Decision taken	<p>The Cabinet has</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) noted the updates on delivery in relation to the projects previously allocated or in receipt of CIL funding commitments (see Appendix 1);b) noted any new allocated CIL projects for £100,000.00 or less approved by delegation on 5th February 2026 (see Appendix 2);c) noted the project to be approved in accordance with Stage 2 CIL governance review with the level of funding to be agreed in line with delegated authority as stated at para 2.5 of this report;d) agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.3 to APPROVE funding for 3 Padel Courts in Huntingdon;e) agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.4 to APPROVE funding for a construction skills workshop in Huntingdon;f) agreed officer
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- recommendations at Paragraph 4.5 to **APPROVE** funding for enhancements and improvements to Paxton Pits;
- g) agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.6 to **APPROVE** funding for relocation of the 6th form college at Abbey College in Ramsey;
- h) agreed officer recommendation at Paragraph 4.7 to **APPROVE** funding for reconfiguration and refurbishment of the fire station in St Ives;
- i) agreed officer recommendation at Paragraph 4.8 to **APPROVE** funding for the SAPHIRE new constructional skills centre in St Neots;
- k) agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.10 to **APPROVE** funding for the increase of two classrooms for Warboys Primary Academy;
- l) agreed officer recommendation at Paragraph 4.11 to **APPROVE** an extension of time for Wheatsheaf Road; and
- m) agreed to
- (1) support the principle of the allocation of CIL

funding towards a youth centre in St Neots;

- (2) support in principle the allocation being for a maximum of £500k;
- (3) a CIL funding award being made, based on (1) and (2), subject to:
 - (a) securing ownership or arrangements to acquire the building, or a suitable alternative;
 - (b) securing planning permission and any other necessary consents to facilitate the works needed to facilitate the youth centre;
 - (c) securing a full commitment from the Town Council towards the proposed scheme; including the identification of and provision of necessary match funding and longer-term funding to ensure the proposal is viable now and in the future;
 - (d) the provision of additional information for the scheme to satisfy outstanding concerns such as choice of location, impact on the town centre vitality, assessment of provision of existing and future youth and community spaces, and demonstrate

long term viability of the proposal;

- (e) sufficient information and clarification being presented to Officers to demonstrate satisfactory compliance with all other aspects of our established CIL governance;
 - (f) all matters being resolved within a period of 6 months (which may be extended by agreement); and
- (4) delegated authority for the final decision to the Head of Planning, Infrastructure & Public Protection in consultation with the Corporate Director (Place), Leader, Executive Councillor for Finance, and Executive Councillor for Planning to approve a CIL funding award for this project and determine the final level of CIL funding to be awarded.

What were the reasons for taking the Decision?

The recommendations for individual funding awards for projects (as stated in section 4) have been considered in accordance with the Council's governance framework for CIL, as well as the wider legislative context as set out in the report. For each project award, or decline, a reason has been provided which would be communicated to the applicant.

What alternative options were considered and rejected?	As outlined within the report.
Conflict of interest and dispensation	
Is the decision a Key Decision?	Yes
Was the decision included in the Forward Plan	Yes
Was the decision subject to the urgency proceedings?	No
List the background papers to any report considered by the Decision Taker	
Person Making this report	Clara Kerr, Head of Planning, Infrastructure & Public Protection
Decision will be effective the day after call-in expires. Call-in expires on	25 March 2026
Accompanying Documents	Community Infrastructure Levy Spend Allocation Supplement - Community Infrastructure Levy Spend Allocation - Supplemental Spend to Date