MINUTES of the Council Meeting of COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY BOARD, held in Rickards Hall on Monday 11 October 2021, 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllrs J Aldridge, A Baker, V Jennings, A Layland, N Lloyd, M McArthur (Chairman), S

McGregor, A Read, S Sumner, and B Todd

In attendance: Town Clerk and RFO.

The Chair opened the meeting and referred to the CIL Guidance and Procedures to remind Members of the order of the meeting.

1. ELECTIONS: Election of Chairman of the CIL Board for the ensuing year

Cllr Todd nominated Cllr McArthur; Cllr Layland seconded. Members unanimously,

Resolved: to elect Cllr McArthur as Chair of the CIL Board.

2. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

19:32 Two Members of the public and the RFO joined the meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS OR PREDETERMINATION

A declaration has been granted to all members to enable them to discuss matters relating to Land and Buildings the Council owns and Council facilities.

4. TO RECEIVE, ADOPT AND SIGN THE REPORT FROM THE CIL BOARD MEETING HELD ON 15 March

Resolved: that the minutes of the CIL Board meeting held on 15 March 2021, be duly signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting; 9510-9512.

5. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE CIL FUNDING AVAIALBLE AND WHERE THE CIL RECEIPTS HAVE COME FROM

The Chair referred to the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) financial summary attached to the meeting papers. It was noted that the current unallocated funds were £225,654.50; this included a further receipt of £47,621.79 expected at the end of October. Allocated funds awarded were £341,170.00.

6. TO AGREE THE ANNUAL RETURN FOR SDC

Each year, an annual return must be submitted to Sevenoaks District Authority with the receipts, and CIL expenditure. For 2020/21 the total receipts were £58,112.22 and expenditure £138,720.35. Members confirmed and unanimously,

Resolved: to split equally the expenditure for the outdoor gym and multi games area between payment A and B.

Annual Return 2020/21	Payment A		Payment B		total	
Expenditure	£	58,469.68	£	80,250.67	£	138,720.35
Receipts	£	20,920.40	£	37,191.82	£	58,112.22

7. TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING FROM THE EDENBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL'S CIL FUND

Representations were received from the bidders for each bid. Members discussed each application in the order as listed on the agenda before voting on each.

7.1 Edenbridge Memorial Health and Wellbeing Centre - £100,000

Members noted the inflated build costs, and that any further contributions would help reduce the 35-year repayment plan; this in turn would benefit residents. Members unanimously supported the bid for further funding towards the build costs for new Health and Wellbeing Centre for Edenbridge, as it:

- Had strong economic, social and environmental benefits to the community and is part of the emerging Local Plan
- The infrastructure improvement meets the development needs to provide a better community health and wellbeing medical facility for Edenbridge
- The scheme addresses an infrastructure need
- Planning permission had been granted, and the project was out to tender. Work was anticipated to start March 2022
- it meets both regulation 8, 59C (a) maintenance of infrastructure, and (b) addresses the demand from development in the area

Resolved:

to award Kent Community Health Foundation NHS Trust (KCHFT) a further £100,000 towards the building costs to provide the Edenbridge Memorial Health and Wellbeing Centre. Payment would be made once the foundations had been completed and upon receipt of an invoice towards the build costs.

7.2 Edenbridge Town Council: Provide a local contribution towards Electric Car Charging Points via KSTS for up to three of the car parks in Edenbridge – contribution towards scheme of up £7,500

Members noted that the Council had been looking at viable ways to provide Electric Car Charging Points for Edenbridge since 2019. The Planning and Transportation Committee and full Council had both supported The Kent Smarter Travel Scheme (KSTS) as a suitable solution; three proposed Council sites had already been assessed. Members unanimously supported the bid on the basis that it:

- The scheme addresses an infrastructure and transportation scheme to help with the transition to zero-emissions (increased traffic, visitors to the area and residents using public spaces)
- Car parking facilities to include electric vehicle charging points
- Health and environment benefits encouraging low emission vehicles and a fundamental part of the national and district net-zero policy in helping to reduce carbon CO2 emissions
- Strong economic benefit encouraging people to the area whilst they charge their vehicle and thus use other local facilities
- It meets both regulation 8, 59C (a) maintenance of infrastructure Electric Vehicle Charging points are improvements to transportation schemes and as development increase so does the users and visitors to community facilities

Resolved:

CIL funding of up to £7,500 to be awarded to provide a local contribution towards Electric Car Charging Points via KSTS, for up to three of the car parks in Edenbridge. Payment would be made upon confirmation of the sites eligibility from KSTS.

8. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE OF APPROVED CIL FUNDING SCHEMES AWAITING PAYMENT:

Items 8.1 to 8.9 were noted as reported in the Town Clerk's report; nine projects were waiting to be delivered in order for the funds to be awarded.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 2022 date to be confirmed

Meeting closed 20:10