

City of Lincoln Council
Infrastructure Funding Statement

2023/24



1.0 Introduction and Reason for this Infrastructure Funding Statement Report

- 1.1 Under the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulations, CIL charging authorities have been required to publish an annual report setting out CIL receipts and expenditure for the reported year. For the first time in December 2020 that requirement was extended to include developer contributions obtained via Section 106 agreements and to include this information in an Infrastructure Statement (IFS).
- 1.2 The purpose of an IFS is to provide a summary of developer contributions agreed, received and spent during a 'reporting year' (April to March), and to set out the Council's spending priorities for these contributions.
- 1.3 The information included in the report will be updated annually and published on the Council's website. This will ensure the most up to date information on the amount of developer contributions received by the Council from new developments, in addition to information on where these monies have been spent is readily available to members of the public and other interested parties.
- 1.4 Please note that data on developer contributions is imperfect because it represents estimates at a given point in time and can be subject to change. However, the data reported within this document is the most robust available at the time of publication.

2.0 CIL Receipts Collected During Reporting Year (1st April 2023-31st March 2024)

- 2.1 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a levy that local authorities can adopt and apply to new developments in their area. The money generated from CIL will be used to support development by funding infrastructure such as schools and transport.
- 2.2 CIL is charged on eligible development and is calculated using the size and type of development that will be created.
- 2.3 The City of Lincoln Council CIL began charging CIL on 5th February 2018. From this date, any eligible development which is granted planning permission on or after 5th February 2018 will pay CIL (in addition to any developer contribution required by local plan policy known as Section 106 Agreements).
- 2.4 The CIL charges for the City of Lincoln are set out in the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule:

<https://www.lincoln.gov.uk/planning/community-infrastructure-levy-cil/1>

- 2.5 Strategic CIL spending priorities are agreed by the Central Lincolnshire Strategic Planning Committee. The money can be used to fund a wide range of infrastructure, during the Local Plan period and CIL receipts are currently earmarked to support the provision of the Lincoln Eastern Bypass, and Secondary Education.
- 2.6 In the reporting year 2023/24 a total of £29,674.25 CIL receipts were collected by the Council.
- 2.7 Where there are no local Parish or Town Councils as is the case in the City, CIL Regulation 59F requires the Local Authority to use 15% of CIL to support the development of the relevant area by funding the “*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*”.
- 2.8 CIL Regulations 59A and 59F set out what CIL receipts can be spent on, and they require a minimum of 15% of the Levy collected within a local area to be allocated for spending on community infrastructure within that local area. This rises to 25% where there is a Neighbourhood Plan in place. Currently in Lincoln there are no ‘Made’ Neighbourhood Plans in place.
- 2.9 On 18th June 2019, the Council’s Policy and Scrutiny Committee agreed to recommend to a future Executive committee the preferred option that in order to allow CIL receipts to build up until a more substantial amount prior to being distributed locally, the Council will effectively hold these local CIL monies. This position will be reviewed again in 2024 once further CIL receipts have been collected.
- 2.10 The Council has agreed to retain 5% of the Levy receipts to put towards the costs of administering the CIL collection process.

2.11 Breakdown of CIL Figures for Reporting Year 2023/24

Table 1 Receipts:

Total CIL receipts received (A)	£29,674.25
Amount of (A) allocated to local neighbourhoods	£4,451.15
Amount of (A) allocated to City of Lincoln Council’s administration of CIL	£1,483.72

Table 2 Demand Notices:

Total value of demand notices issued during reporting year	£29,674.25
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Table 3 Expenditure:

Total CIL receipts passed to Local Councils (Lincolnshire County Council)	£23,739.38
Total CIL receipts spent (excluding Local Councils)	£0.00

Table 4 Receipts retained at year end:

Total CIL receipts received during reporting year and retained at year end	£5,934.87
Total overall CIL receipts retained at year end (includes receipts from 2022/23)	£19,118.87
Total CIL receipts retained, and not allocated	£19,118.87

* All CIL receipts held by City of Lincoln Council that are not allocated to local neighbourhoods or City of Lincoln Council administration are automatically allocated to Lincolnshire County Council, in accordance with Section 2 of this report.

5.0 Section 106 Agreements Collected During Reporting Year (1st April 2023-31st March 2024)

5.1 S106 agreements are used to mitigate the impacts of development and ensure that the City of Lincoln's policy requirements, as part of Central Lincolnshire's Local Plan, are fully met.

5.2 Section 106 Financial Contributions Received

The Council received a total of £22,443.50 to beneficiaries of section 106 agreements during the reporting year. This is broken down as:

Table 5: S106 Receipts

S106 amounts collected in 2023/24	Reference Number	S106 purpose
£0.00	ED	Education
£0.00	AH	Affordable Housing
£2,542.00	PF	Strategic Playing Fields
£6,564.00	PA	Local Green Infrastructure
£13,337.50	NHS	Health

5.3 Section 106 Non Financial Contributions Received

None during the reporting year

5.4 Section 106 Expenditure

The Council paid a total of £0 to beneficiaries of section 106 agreements during the reporting year.

6.0 Future Expenditure

The City Council has not entered into any new section 106 agreements since 1st April 2024, as of the date of this report.