

Rother District Council

# INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING STATEMENT

2019/20

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*Bovis Homes – The Gateway, North-East Bexhill*

## 1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report provides information on the monetary (and non-monetary) contributions sought and received from developers for the provision of infrastructure to support development in the Rother District, and the subsequent use of those contributions by Rother District Council (RDC). The report covers the financial year 1 April 2019 – 31 March 2020, for the purposes of this report, this is known as the ‘funding year’. This is the first Infrastructure Funding Statement produced by RDC in line with Regulation 121A<sup>1</sup> and sets out the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and Section ‘106’ which has been collected by RDC and those monies which has also been spent over the funding year.
- 1.2 Rother seeks developer contributions from relevant development through the CIL and Section 106 agreements (also known as “planning obligations”).
- 1.3 The structure of this report utilises the template provided by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) published on the 20 November 2020.

### CIL

- 1.4 The power to develop a CIL was introduced in 2010 and has been charged in Rother since April 2016. CIL is a set charge, based on the gross internal area floorspace of buildings, on most new development to help fund the infrastructure needed to address the cumulative impact of development across our area. Our adopted CIL Charging Schedule sets out our CIL charging rates.
- 1.5 The total CIL collected by RDC is divided into two ‘pots’: Strategic and Local CIL. Local planning authorities must use Strategic CIL to fund ‘the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure to support the development of the area’. There is also a neighbourhood portion of CIL – known as ‘Local CIL’ – which is similarly able to fund infrastructure but can also fund ‘anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area’.

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<sup>1</sup> Regulation 121A - [The Community Infrastructure Levy \(Amendment\) \(England\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019](#)

- 1.6 Under 'Local CIL', a CIL charging authority (RDC) must pass 15% of Local CIL received to the Parish Council for the area where a CIL liable development takes place, rising to 25% if the Parish has a 'made' Neighbourhood Plan in place. In unparished areas, the CIL charging authority can spend equivalent amounts in the locality, following engagement with local communities.

### Planning Obligations

- 1.7 Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 enables a local planning authority to enter into a negotiated agreement – a planning obligation - to mitigate the impact of a specific development, to make it acceptable in planning terms. The planning obligation might, for example, require the provision or contribution to a new or improved road, school, health facility or local green infrastructure. Local planning authorities can also seek planning obligations to secure a proportion of affordable housing from residential developments. In some instances, Section 106 planning obligations may require payments to be made to parish councils.

## **2. Community Infrastructure Levy Report**

A CIL charge is payable either within 60 days of the commencement of a development, or within the terms of an instalment policy set by the CIL charging authority. In Rother, CIL is payable as follows:

<b>Amount of CIL Liability</b>	<b>Number of Instalments</b>	<b>Payment Periods and Amounts</b>
Any amount less than £50,000	1	100% payable within 60 days of commencement
Amounts from £50,000 to £300,000	2	50% payable within 120 days of commencement A further 50% payable within 360 days of Commencement (or upon completion of development if earlier)
Amounts over £300,000	3	30% payable within 60 days; A further 35% payable within 420 days, and The final 35% payable within 660 days (or upon completion of development if earlier).

The Council adopted the [Instalment Policy](#) on the 4 April 2016.

## Headline Figures

<b>CIL invoiced</b> (set out in Demand Notices <sup>2</sup> ) in 2019/20	<b>£2,876,755.27</b>
<b>CIL receipts<sup>3</sup> received</b> in 2019/20 (collected within the funding year)	<b>£1,509,110.67</b>
CIL receipts that CIL regulations 59E and 59F applied to <sup>4</sup>	<b>£0</b>
<b>CIL expenditure<sup>5</sup></b> in 2019/20	<b>£203,163.17</b>
<b>CIL retained<sup>6</sup></b> at end of 2019/20 (4 <sup>th</sup> April 2016 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2020)	<b>£2,254,689.33</b>



*Donsmead Drive, Northiam*

<sup>2</sup> Includes any late payment or other surcharges, and interest, included in Demand Notices.

<sup>3</sup> Total CIL receipts during reported year which includes any land and infrastructure “payments” received as “In-Kind” CIL payments; any CIL receipts subsequently set aside for CIL administration and ‘Local CIL’ purposes; any CIL surcharges/interest received, and CIL received for any other reason other than CIL collected on behalf of another CIL charging authority.

<sup>4</sup> The total amount of CIL that was relevant to **CIL regulation 59E** (CIL previously paid to a parish or town council under CIL Regulation 59A or 59B which has subsequently been recovered from that parish Council) and **CIL regulation 59F** (a proportion of CIL that may be set aside to spend in the locality of a CIL liable development, which would otherwise have been paid to a parish or town council if such a council existed in the area where the CIL charge was incurred) .

<sup>5</sup> Actual CIL expenditure during the reported year, regardless of when received, including ‘Local CIL’ allocations both where spent by the charging authority under CIL regulation 59E and 59F, and where passed to parish/town councils under regulation 59A or 59B), whether subsequently spent or not. Also includes CIL passed to external organisations under regulation 59(4) whether subsequently spent or not; CIL spent on administration of CIL; CIL “expenditure” in regard to any land and infrastructure payment received as “In-Kind” CIL payments from the point any development on the land is commenced or completed, and CIL refunded due to overpayments.

<sup>6</sup> Total CIL retained – whenever received and including CIL retained to which regulation 59E and 59F applied (note: ‘Total CIL retained’ is not a regulatory reporting requirement in itself, but suggested it is included for greater clarity - the combined (regulatory) reporting requirements in items 2.4(f) to 2.4(i) in this report also cover the total amount retained.



## 2.2 CIL infrastructure expenditure<sup>7</sup> in 2019/20

Summary details of the items of infrastructure on which CIL (including land payments) has been spent in 2019/20, and the amount of CIL spent on each item:

**There has been no Strategic CIL funds allocated in 2019/20**

## 2.3 Other CIL expenditure in 2019/20

a) Total amount of CIL spent in 2019/20 on repaying money borrowed, including any interest, and details of the items of infrastructure which that money was used to provide (wholly or in part):

**None**

b) Total amount of CIL spend on administrative expenses in 2019/20 and that amount expressed as a percentage of the total CIL received in 2019/20:

**£143,837.78 (9.53%)**

c) The amount of CIL passed to any parish or town council under CIL regulations 59A and 59B:

<b>Parish/Town Council</b>	<b>CIL Amount paid</b>	<b>CIL Spent</b>
Battle Town Council	£6,029.02	£650
Beckley Parish Council	£3,228.65	£3,228.65
Burwash Parish Council	£3,294.55	£0
Catsfield Parish Council	£12,113.18	£0
Etchingham Parish Council	£3,985.75	£0
Fairlight Parish Council	£5,895.89	£0
Guestling Parish Council	£904.62	£0
Northiam Parish Council	£5,155.96	£5,155.96
Pett Parish Council	£2,506.14	£0
Ticehurst Parish Council	£11,563.85	£11,563.85
Udimore Parish Council	£4,647.78	£0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£59,325.39</b>	<b>£20,598.46</b>

<sup>7</sup> 'Infrastructure expenditure' mainly relates to CIL spent by the reporting authority but this section can include details of infrastructure provision undertaken by an external organisation who has been passed CIL funds by the reporting authority under regulation 59(4). The reporting authority should clearly specify in this section any infrastructure provision relevant to regulation 59(4).

d) The amount of CIL passed to external organisations (other than parish/town councils) under CIL regulation 59(4):

**£0**

e) Summary details of the expenditure of CIL on infrastructure, to which CIL regulations 59E or 59F applied during 2019/20:

**£0**



*St. Francis Fields, Northiam - renovation of two bungalows in preparation for letting using CIL allocated in 2019/20*



*New path starting at Main Street and running to the play park on the Jubilee Field, Beckley*

## 2.4 CIL receipts retained (allocated<sup>8</sup> and unallocated)

- a) The total amount of CIL receipts, received prior to 2019/20, which had been allocated (to an infrastructure project or item), but not spent, by the end of 2019/20:

**£692,901.00**

- b) The total amount of CIL receipts, received prior to 2019/20, which had not been allocated (to an infrastructure project or item) by the end of 2019/20:

**£52,677.66**

- c) The total amount of CIL receipts, whenever collected including 2019/20, which were allocated (whether allocated prior to or during 2019/20) but not spent during 2019:

**£692,901.00**

- d) Summary details of the infrastructure projects or items to which CIL receipts, whenever collected including 2019/20, have been allocated (but not spent) and the amount allocated to each item:

<b>Infrastructure Project/Type</b>	<b>CIL allocated</b>
London Road Improvement Project, Bexhill – East Sussex County Council	£300,000.00
Sidley Recreation Ground Project, Bexhill - RDC	£192,901.00
Ticehurst Village Centre Project - Ticehurst Parish Council	£125,000.00
Battle Health Pathway Project – Battle Town Council	£75,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£692,901.00</b>

- e) Summary details of any Notices served in accordance with regulation 59E (to recover CIL previously passed to a parish or town council) and whether sums had been recovered by end of 2019/20:

**None**

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<sup>8</sup> 'Allocated' means CIL sums retained by the reporting authority which have, or will be, passed to an internal team to fund a specific infrastructure project or infrastructure type.

- f) CIL receipts received in 2019/20 retained at the end of 2019/20 (other than those to which CIL regulation 59E and 59F applied):

**£1,509,110.67**

- g) CIL receipts received before 2019/20 retained at the end of 2019/20 (other than those to which CIL regulation 59E and 59F applied):

**2016/17 £81,550.00**  
**2017/18 £136,193.73**  
**2018/19 £527,834.93**  
**Total: £745,578.66**

- h) CIL receipts received in 2019/20 to which CIL regulation 59E or 59F applied, retained at the end of 2019/20:

**£0**

- i) CIL receipts received prior to 2019/20 to which CIL regulation 59E or 59F applied, retained at the end of 2019/20:

**None**



*Battle Health Pathway now underway*

## 2.5 The (CIL) Infrastructure List

*“a statement of the infrastructure projects or types of infrastructure which the charging authority intends will be, or may be, wholly or partly funded by CIL (other than CIL to which regulation 59E or 59F applies) (“the infrastructure list”)”*

Whilst this IFS will replace the adopted CIL Regulation 123 List as required by the [Community Infrastructure Levy \(Amendment\) \(England\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019](#)<sup>9</sup>, the IFS will still be informed by the 2019 Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP). The IDP is part of the evidence base supporting the Rother Local Plan, its purpose is to identify and assist with managing the provision of infrastructure required to support development set out in the Local Plan. The Local Plan comprises: The Core Strategy (adopted 2014), the Development and Site Allocations (DaSA) Local Plan (adopted 2019) and ‘Made’ Neighbourhood Plans.

It is important to clearly identify what infrastructure is needed to deliver the development set out within the Local Plan. Much of the infrastructure will be within the district boundary but other elements may cross boundaries, be deliverable by several providers and benefit development in more than one planning authority.

The IDP Schedule identifies infrastructure fundamental to the delivery of the objectives and spatial strategy of the Core Strategy. It identifies both the infrastructure required to support the level and distribution of development proposed in the Local Plan and also those infrastructure improvements that are required to resolve existing deficiencies and promote sustainable communities. For the purposes of this first IFS, the existing IDP will be used as a basis for making decisions relating to key infrastructure as required by the ‘infrastructure list’ as set out in Regulation 121A.

Further details, setting out the outputs, justification, lead bodies, approximate costs, funding, timeframe for delivery etc can be found in the [IDP](#) Schedule. This will be updated in 2021.

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<sup>9</sup> Paragraph: 017 Reference ID: 25-017-20190901

### 3. Section 106 (Planning Obligations) Report

#### 3.1 Headline Figures

##### Monetary Contributions

<b>Total money to be provided</b> through planning obligations agreed in 2019/20	<b>£0</b>
<b>Total money received</b> through planning obligations (whenever agreed) in 2019/20	<b>£491,038.14</b>
<b>Total money</b> , received through planning obligations (whenever agreed), <b>spent</b> <sup>10</sup> in 2019/20	<b>£174,119.97</b>
<b>Total money</b> , received through planning obligations (whenever agreed), <b>retained</b> <sup>11</sup> at the end of 2019/20 (excluding “commuted sums” for longer term maintenance)	<b>£2,181,473.65</b>
<b>Total money</b> , received through planning obligations (whenever agreed), <b>retained</b> at the end of 2019/20 as “commuted sums” for longer term maintenance	<b>£166,809.61</b>

##### Non-Monetary Contributions

<b>Total number of affordable housing units to be provided</b> through planning obligations agreed in 2019/20	<b>28</b>
<b>Total number of affordable housing units which were provided</b> <sup>12</sup> through planning obligations (whenever agreed) in 2019/20	<b>103</b>
<b>Total number of school places for pupils to be provided</b> through planning obligations agreed in 2019/20	<b>Zero</b>
<b>Total number of school places for pupils which were provided</b> <sup>13</sup> through planning obligations (whenever agreed) in 2019/20	<b>Zero</b>

#### 3.2 Section 106 infrastructure expenditure<sup>14</sup> in 2019/20

Summary details of the items of infrastructure on which money received through planning obligations (whenever received) has been spent in 2019/20, and the amount of money, received through planning obligations, spent on each item:

<b>Item of Infrastructure</b>	<b>Planning obligation spent</b>
Station Road, Northiam – Northiam recreation ground, pitch and parking improvements: RR/2015/545/P	£37,060
North East Bexhill - Skills & local employment contribution: RR/2011/1726/P	£113,806.97
Bexhill seafront shelters refurbishment: RR/2014/1223/P	£23,253
<b>Total</b>	<b>£174,119.97</b>

#### 3.3 Other expenditure of planning obligations receipts in 2019/20

<sup>10</sup> “spent” includes sums transferred to an external organisation to spend but does not include sums held internally, whether allocated or otherwise to a specific infrastructure project or type.

<sup>11</sup> ‘Retained’ refers to S106 sums remaining unspent and includes sums both ‘allocated’ and ‘unallocated’.

<sup>12</sup> Not a regulatory requirement but it is suggested that authorities, for clarity and transparency, report on this

<sup>13</sup> Also not regulatory requirement but it’s suggested that authorities, for clarity and transparency, report on this item

<sup>14</sup> Reporting authorities should report sums transferred to external organisations in this section (as such sums are regarded as “spent” in the regulations) and can add details of the infrastructure provided in regard to such transfers of money, where the sums have subsequently been spent.

- a) Total amount of money, received through planning obligations (whenever agreed and money received), spent in 2019/20 on repaying money borrowed, including any interest, and details of the items of infrastructure which that money was used to provide (wholly or in part):

**None**

- b) Total amount of money, received through planning obligations (whenever agreed and money received), spend in 2019/20 in respect of monitoring (including reporting under CIL regulation 121A) in relation to the delivery of planning obligations:

**None**

3.4 S106 receipts retained (allocated<sup>15</sup> and unallocated)

- a) The total amount of money, received through planning obligations prior to 2019/20, which had not been allocated (to an infrastructure project or item) by the end of 2019/20:

**£0**

- b) The total amount of money, received under any planning obligation in any year, which had been allocated (to an infrastructure project or type) for spending by the end of 2019/20 but which had not been spent:

**£2,348,283.26**

- c) Summary details of the infrastructure projects or items to which receipts from planning obligations, whenever collected including 2019/20, have been allocated (but not spent) and the amount allocated to each item:

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<sup>15</sup> 'Allocated' means S106 sums retained by the reporting authority which have, or will be, passed to an internal team to fund a specific infrastructure project or infrastructure type.

Infrastructure Project/Type	Planning Obligation funds allocated (£)
S106 Greenway Contribution to the provision of a cycleway to link to Ferry Road, Rye	45,000.00
Local Sustainable Accessibility and Improvements Contribution at Gould Drive/Moor Lane, Westfield	21,791.95
Affordable Housing - Woodlands Way Land at Westfield & Westridge, Countrycrafts, Robertsbridge	55,662.88
S106 Unit 10 Ravenside, Bexhill-on-Sea	884,053.54
S106 Land off Pebsham Lane, Bexhill-on-Sea: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leisure Centre</li> <li>Open space</li> <li>Art &amp; public realm contribution</li> <li>Community Worker contribution</li> </ul>	133,846.15 277,596.92 193,280.00 27,540
S106 Station Road Northiam - RR/2015/545/P. Improvement of Northiam Recreation Ground	167,334.80
S106 Station Road Northiam - Contribution towards extension to cemetery	50,369.00
S106 The Saltings - Creation of area of saltmarsh in the Rother Estuary	36,853.45
Ambers Rise - Provision of offsite Play Space	653.00
Employment Contribution for the acquisition of land for the development & construction of new buildings or acquisition of existing buildings whether to be altered or refurbished to provide starter units for employment uses. Such land and buildings to be located within Bexhill.	77,070.40
Rock Lane Affordable Housing	111,146.73
S106 Barnhorn Road	266,084.44
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,348,283.26</b>



Bexhill Seafront Shelter refurbishment



Parking improvements at Northiam recreation ground