WORTHING BOROUGH COUNCIL

NOTES and ACTIONS
CIL Board

Tuesday 3rd November 2026 @ 2.30pm
Highdown Room, Town Hall

Present: Cllr Caroline Baxter, Cllr John Turley, Cllr Dom Ford, Gary Peck, David Attmore, Sam Gritt, Cllr Jimi Taylor (WSCC), Caroline West (WSCC), Sam Mason (WSCC), Tom Gillham (WSCC)

Apologies: Andy Willems, Moira Hayes

		ACTION
1.	**Actions agreed from the last meeting on the 30th June 2026**	
	Notes and actions from the previous meeting were agreed.	
2.	**Infrastructure Investment Plan (IIP)**	
	An update was given on the status of the CIL projects allocated funding from the CIL Strategic Pot in the IIP. IIP001IV Public Realm Enhancements Montague Place - The Gardens were officially opened in September 2026. There is a 12 month defect period following completion. Works remain on Marine Parade. **Cllr Baxter will take a proposal to Worthing Growth Board for approval on expenditure of the remaining CIL funds for use at Montague Gardens / Portland Road.** IIP005I Cycle Lane from George V Avenue to Sea Lane - Officers have received the preliminary design from the consultants. Over November and December a decision will be made on options for construction of the path and the consultants will be recommissioned to undertake detailed design. Another CIL proforma is to be completed for the additional design costs, which are likely to come in under the £200k CIL allocation. IIP009 Worthing Lido - Reports on both the substructure and superstructure are anticipated and will be reviewed before the end of the year. The bid has been submitted for Heritage England Funding.	**CB**

	IIP010 Town Centre and Seafront Assets - The Pride in Place Mission Board are holding this funding, alongside the wider 'Pride in Worthing' work. IIP011 Coastal Flood Defences - No update from previous meeting. **Officers to check with Engineers about future planned work on Coastal Flood Defences.** The CIL forecasts have been updated, following updated information on sites with planning consent and anticipated commencement of work on site. Due to wider, global issues, a number of developments are no longer progressing at the speed that was previously anticipated. The forecast for 2027/28 CIL receipts is down from £1.6m to £250k. A subsequent slight uplift in CIL receipts in 2028/29 is anticipated, from £2m to £2.3m. This will impact the provisional CIL funds allocated to projects in the IIP, as part of the 2027 update. This funding will need to be moved back to the final financial year of the 2026-2029 plan. **Officers to work on the 2027 IIP update and look to bring it back at the next CIL Board meeting.** There are some sites which may come forward with higher numbers of houses than previously forecast, which would lead to higher CIL receipts in future years.	**DA / AW** **DA / AW**
3.	**CIL 'Other Agencies' Pot**	
	The Coastal Flood Defences (EA) scheme has completed. The details have been completed and an invoice received. The funds will be transferred in 26/27. The CCTV cameras project is almost completed, with the majority of CCTV cameras having been replaced. The deployable camera is now available and governance processes set up as to how and when this can best be deployed. The project at Worthing Fire Station is in the final process of plans being drawn up and approved. The final costs should be known by the time of the next CIL Board meeting.	
4.	**CIL Neighbourhood Fund**	

	The Worthing CIL Neighbourhood Fund has been combined into the 'Connected Communities Grant' which is one place for community groups, residents associations etc to apply for grant funding from Adur & Worthing Councils. The previous timelines used for the Neighbourhood Fund are being replicated for this grant. The application form was open for 6 weeks and closed on 25th October 2026. A total of 56 application were received, with 31 in Worthing, across the 4 areas with money available. There was a range in the quality of applications received, which were asked to meet the two priorities: Focus on young people and/or Climate resilience. Eligible applications will be taken to the Assessment Panel for the area which they applied, with these taking place in November and December. A report on their recommendations will then go to the relevant Cabinet Members for sign off. Groups will received feedback on their application and be notified as to whether they have been successful or not by the end of January 2027. **Officers will meet with the relevant Cabinet Member(s) to discuss feedback on how the 2026 grant funding round has worked.**	**DA / DF**
5.	**CIL Audit**	
	A routine internal audit on CIL was undertaken, with the final report issued in August 2026. They found a number of examples of good practice. One example is that the CIL Board and the Joint Strategic Committee have governance oversight of CIL. The only recommendation is around the lack of resilience and knowledge around CIL. This would be highlighted if the CIL officer was on leave for an extended period. This is being dealt with by the Planning department, ahead of Local Government Reorganisation (LGR).	
6.	**AOB**	

	N/A	
7.	**Date of Next Meeting(s)**	
	January 2027. Date to be confirmed.	