

Infrastructure Funding Statement 2025

(01/04/2024-31/03/2025)



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1 Introduction

- 1.1 Welcome to the Havant Borough Council Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS). All councils are required to produce an IFS on an annual basis in accordance with government legislation¹. This document is the borough's sixth IFS.
- 1.2 Agreements under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (S106 agreements) and the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) are both known as planning obligations or developer contributions. They are used to help fund the provision of supporting infrastructure in association with development and maximise the benefits and opportunities from growth, such as employment opportunities and affordable homes.
- 1.3 The council started charging CIL from 1 August 2013. CIL and S106 Monitoring, previous to the 2020 edition of this document is available on our website: www.havant.gov.uk/planning-services/planning-policy/community-infrastructure-levy-cil/cil-and-s106-monitoring/cil-and
- 1.4 The council uses software called 'Exacom' to record developer contributions. This has all CIL records within it and S106 for permissions which commenced after 31 October 2016. Historical records have now been brought into this system where there are extant funds. The public facing version of this system is available at: <https://pfm.exacom.co.uk/havant/>
- 1.5 Many of the Council's S106 agreements have Hampshire County Council as a signatory. In these circumstances where payments are collected directly by the county. They too will be providing an IFS. This can be viewed at www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/developer-contributions.
- 1.6 The Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) will form a key part of the evidence base to support the borough's new Local Plan, titled Building a Better Future. It will also influence the council's developer contributions spending decisions. In addition, other workstreams, such as the council's Regeneration and Economy Strategy 2022-2036 will rely heavily on infrastructure investment. Links to the updated IDP (when available) and Regeneration Strategy can be found on these pages respectively:
www.havant.gov.uk/regeneration-havant
www.havant.gov.uk/cil-spending-process
- 1.7 When decisions on CIL spending are taken, they also support the Corporate Strategy. The latest Corporate Strategy 2024-2028 concentrates on the following priorities:
 - Wellbeing
 - Pride in place
 - Growth
 - A responsive council

¹ Community Infrastructure Levy (Amendment) (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2019

- 1.8 Within each theme, the council has outlined its aspirations (what it wants to achieve), its initiatives (the work it will do to achieve the aspirations) and the expected impact (how it will know it's achieved its aspiration).
- 1.9 The Corporate Strategy can be viewed on our website at www.havant.gov.uk/media/9981/download?inline
- 1.10 The current CIL Charging Schedule will be reviewed alongside the borough's new Local Plan; this will not affect this report.
- 1.11 Sections 2 and 3 of this statement set out progress in the collection and spending of CIL and S106 income over the last financial year 2024/25, the exact dates being 01/04/2024 – 31/03/25.

What is Infrastructure?

- 1.12 Infrastructure is defined in pages 9-10 of the CIL Charging Schedule (which has been taken from Table 9.1 of the Havant Borough Core Strategy): www.havant.gov.uk/media/9373
- 1.13 CIL is used to fund the provision of a range of infrastructure that is needed to support the development of the borough. The levy applies to most new dwellings, large extensions and some retail. S106 agreements are used to mitigate the impacts of development and ensure that Havant Borough's planning policy requirements (as set out in the Havant Borough Local Plan) are met. Further clarification on Developer Contributions can be sought from our Developer Contributions Guide which can be downloaded from this page on our website: <https://www.havant.gov.uk/planning-services/planning-policy/community-infrastructure-levy-cil/community-infrastructure-levy-6>
- 1.14 When the CIL Charging Schedule was set, viability testing took place and consequently a list was produced identifying the types of infrastructure to be potentially funded by CIL and when S106 Obligations may apply in addition to CIL, known at the time as the Regulation 123 List. With a change in the CIL Regulations on 1 September 2019 this list is no longer required. However, it provides an aid to understanding the interaction between CIL and S106 and is still used by the council. The renamed list is reproduced in Appendix A.
- 1.15 S106 obligations include:
 - Site-specific financial contributions – these are secured and must be used for defined purposes; such as the provision of education facilities, traffic and transport/highways related works and off-site affordable housing contributions (where accepted in lieu of on-site provision);
 - Provision of on-site affordable housing;
 - Mitigation (such as Bird Aware Solent²); and
 - Non-financial obligations, including requirements such as Management Plans.

² Previously called the Solent Recreation Mitigation Strategy

- 1.16 The council is committed to working with its partners to ensure that S106 and CIL contributions are used in a fair and transparent way to maximise the benefits and opportunities arising from development, such as new affordable homes, community infrastructure, sea defences and environmental improvements.
- 1.17 The Council considers infrastructure in a multidisciplinary manner, bringing together specialists from across the organisation. This approach feeds into analysis of infrastructure needs and the approach towards the spending of developer contributions on capital infrastructure projects in line with the CIL Spending Protocol.

2 Community Infrastructure Levy Income

2.1 The level and timing of CIL Income will depend on the nature and scale of the development, the number of implemented planning permissions, build-out rates and the phasing of development. Due to uncertainty over forecasting the council is unable to make a reliable forecast of future CIL Income so has not done so.

2.2 The amount of CIL payable by developers depends on where the development is located within the borough and the type of development. Our CIL Charging Schedule, including details of the indexation to be applied and map of the charging zones, is available to view from our website: www.havant.gov.uk/community-infrastructure-levy-charging-schedule

2.3 Unlike Section 106 agreements, the rate of CIL payable is both mandatory and non-negotiable.³

2.4 In the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025 a total of £828,066.64 was collected, of the total sum identified below £319,137.23 was due to be paid after 1 April 2025:

Type of CIL	Amount
Strategic CIL	£658,690.75
Neighbourhood CIL	£127,972.56
CIL Administration	£41,403.33
Total	£828,066.64

Table 2.1: CIL Collected 1/4/24- 31/3/25

2.5 Annual CIL income has yet to reach pre-pandemic levels. Gross CIL receipts are still falling year on year. This is illustrated in the table below:

Monitoring Period	Gross CIL received (rounded)
1/4/24 - 31/3/25	£828,067
1/4/23 - 31/3/24	£1,650,618
1/4/22 - 31/3/23	£2,727,048
1/4/21 - 31/3/22	£3,179,300

Table 2.2: CIL Collected 1/4/21- 31/3/25

2.6 This will have an impact on future infrastructure provision. There are likely to be a number of contributory factors including the current housing market, potential labour and materials shortages, emerging Local Plan progress and a number of stalled planning applications.

2.7 The council is also updating its Infrastructure Delivery Plan which in due course will be supported by the Infrastructure Business Plan. In the future, decisions on CIL

³ CIL is charged per square metre (gross internal area) and must be paid in accordance with the Charging Schedule once the development commences in accordance with the Council's adopted CIL Instalment Policy.

spending can be made in combination with the information therein, the infrastructure provision required for the emerging local plan and delivery of the Corporate Strategy.

2.8 The CIL Regulations set out scenarios where exemptions from CIL can be granted such as for self-build dwellings or Mandatory Social Housing Relief. In the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025, a total of £1,008,738.04 was granted in relief. The portions for different types of relief granted are illustrated in the following chart:

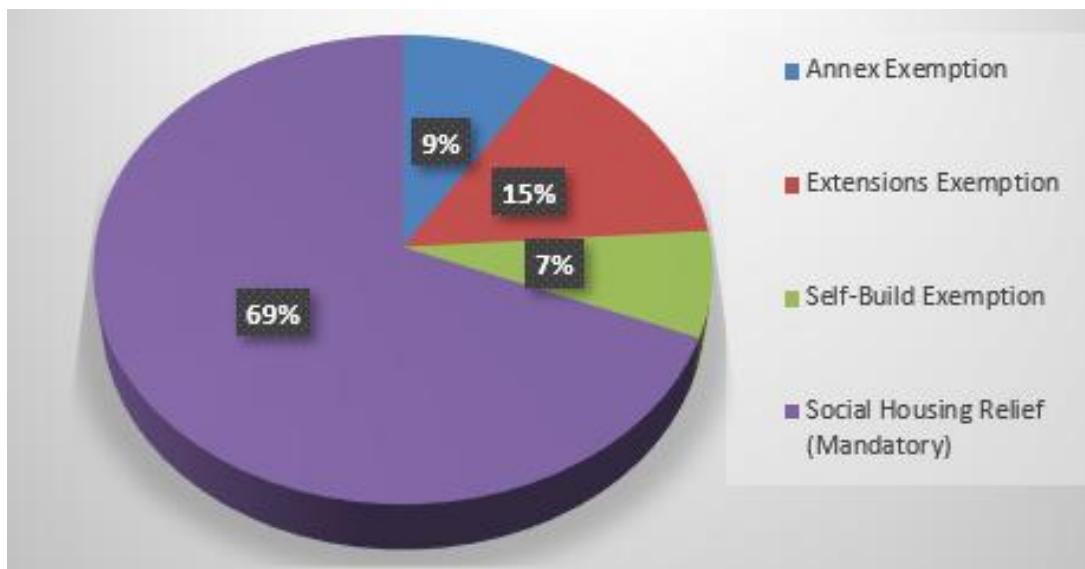


Chart 2.3 CIL Relief Granted 1/4/24 to 31/3/25

Expenditure

2.9 The council has a CIL Spending Protocol which sets out how CIL is spent. The latest edition of this document was agreed at Council on 24 July 2025.

2.10 The Protocol sets out an annual process for the allocation of funding to CIL Projects for both Strategic CIL and the Neighbourhood Portion. This aligns with the council's annual capital spending programme. The Protocol can be viewed:
<https://www.havant.gov.uk/media/10489>

2.11 As the borough is not parished, the Neighbourhood Portion received is set aside by the council to spend on community infrastructure projects.

2.12 When CIL is collected it is generally divided as follows:

- 80% Strategic CIL
- 15% Neighbourhood Portion⁴
- 5% Monitoring and Administration

2.13 The Neighbourhood Portion rises to 25% in areas with an adopted Neighbourhood Plan. Emsworth has been established as a neighbourhood area and the Emsworth Neighbourhood Forum has completed a Neighbourhood Plan, which was 'made' on 22 September 2021. The Neighbourhood Portion has increased to 25% for CIL

⁴ Subject to limitations set out in the CIL Regulations

collected in Emsworth since 1 July 2020: www.havant.gov.uk/emsworth-neighbourhood-planning

Strategic CIL Spending

2.14 Decisions on Strategic CIL allocations were made at Council on 26th February 2025. With decisions on projects being granted funding decided as part of the budget setting process. Table 2.4 below shows detail on the allocations made:

Ref	Project	Cost	Funds already allocated	Match funding and additional condition if applicable
328	Replacement for Groyne 3 Aid to Navigation	£71,000	N/A	N/A
307	Additional Funding Northney Drainage	£35,000	£184,000 Council 28/02/2024	N/A
329	Safety Improvements to Cowplain Recreation Ground Entrance	£25,000	N/A	HCC/Padnell Junior School £25,660 match funding. Funding offer conditional upon all funding being in place by 31/03/2027
330	Play Area Improvement Programme	£370,000	N/A	£30,000 Neighbourhood CIL from 24/25 Pot also 000000 required.
308	Additional Funding Hayling Island Seafront Signage Refresh	£125,000	£50,000 Council 28/02/2024	N/A
334	EV Infrastructure Installation – Plaza	£110,000	N/A	N/A
335	EV Infrastructure Installation – Havant Borough Council Car Parks	£104,000	N/A	N/A
	TOTAL	£840,000		

Table 2.4: Strategic CIL Allocations 26/02/2025

2.15 As it often takes a long time to implement a capital project, previously allocated funds are still being spent. During the reporting year expenditure on Strategic CIL Projects totalled £338,663.65. Further detail of exact Strategic CIL expenditure at project level is provided in Appendix B, Paragraph g.

Neighbourhood Portion CIL Spending

2.16 Previously allocated funds are also still being spent. During the reporting year expenditure on Neighbourhood Portion Projects totalled £68,996.09. Table 2.5 provides more detail:

Project Ref.	Name/Description	Amount	Spend Date
24	Upgrade of Footpath 521 to Shared Use	£8,188.29	31/03/2025
272	Grow it Cook it Eat it	£1,229.18	31/03/2025
290	Waterlooville Regeneration Infrastructure Interventions	£9,723.03	31/03/2025
315	Cowplain Recreation Ground Play Area Refurbishment	£45,329	31/03/2025
326	Upgrade Path to the South of Legion Field	£4,526.59	31/03/2025

Table 2.5: Neighbourhood Portion CIL Expenditure 01/04/24-31/03/25

2.17 The following new allocations of Neighbourhood Portion CIL were made between 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025:

Ref	Description	Amount
133	Scratchface Lane Park Funding	£59,625
297	Washington Road A27 Subway Drainage	£1,261
315	Cowplain Recreation Ground Play Area Refurbishment	£50,000
316	Refurbishment of Avenue Road Play Area, Hayling Island	£93,000
278	DDA Compliant Path with Lighting Gauntletts Park	£60,000
128	High Performance Warm Roof at Waterlooville Men's Shed	£22,850
24	Upgrade Footpath 521 to Shared Use (HI)	£17,000
226	Purbrook Heath Drainage	£25,000
320	Cowplain Activity Centre Lighting	£5,247
256	Springwood Community Centre Energy Efficiency Improvements	£23,905
321	Cycle Parking Stands	£10,000
323	Cycle Signage	£1,500
326	Upgrade Path to the South of Legion Field	£30,000
319	Bartons Green Basketball Court Upgrade	£50,000

Table 2.6 Neighbourhood Portion Allocations 1/4/24-31/3/25

2.18 Whilst spending on some of these allocations have yet to be concluded, some of these and previous allocations have resulted in projects that have been completed,

This includes Cowplain Recreation Ground Play Area Refurbishment (Project 315) which was officially opened on 23 December 2024. The site is fully wheelchair accessible and features a range of new play equipment including: Swings, sensory panels, spinners, slides, and an overhead gliding unit which is unique to the borough. The council worked closely with a student voice group from Horndean Technology College to co-design the site, giving students the chance to collaborate and share ideas. Work will continue, between the council and students from Padnell Junior School, to help enhance biodiversity in the area. There is a photo of Cowplain Play Area after its refurbishment below:



Photo 2.7 Aerial View of Cowplain Recreation Ground Refurbished Play Area

2.19 Additionally Eastoke Corner Play Park Refurbishment (Project 276) officially opened on 25 May 2024. Work began at the end of February 2024 to replace the old play equipment with a new fenced play area, multi-use games area and an exercise zone. The park has three distinctive areas suitable for children, teenagers and adults as well as an exercise zone containing strength training units, plyometric equipment and a floor exercise area. The total cost of Strategic CIL spent on this project was £198,953. Below is a photo montage of the completed scheme:



Photo Montage 2.8: Newly refurbished Eastoke Corner Play Area

3 S106 Contributions

Income

3.1 Between 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025, five S106 Agreements were signed and four Deed of Variations. We are also monitoring two Deed of Allocations.

3.2 S106 also includes funds collected and spent for Unilateral Undertakings. The Council generally has two main types of contribution dealt with within these Unilateral Undertaking/s:

- Bird Aware Solent
- Contributions towards a Mitigation Plan for Nutrient Neutral Development

3.3 Additional information on income relating to S106 Agreements can be found in Appendix C.

3.4 It is important to recognise that not only do S106 Agreements include payments due for infrastructure, they also include on site infrastructure provision such as Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS). These are designed to manage stormwater locally (as close to its source as possible), to mimic natural drainage and encourage its infiltration, attenuation and passive treatment. SuDS are designed to both manage the flood and pollution risks resulting from urban runoff and to contribute wherever possible to environmental enhancement and place making. More information on non-financial obligations is reported in Appendix C (d).



Photo 3.1: SuDS Basin at 'Forty Acres' (August 2024)

Bird Aware Solent

3.5 National planning policy and the 'duty to cooperate' require local planning authorities to work together to address strategic, cross-boundary matters. The Bird Aware Solent Partnership is an award winning example of joint working, with fourteen Solent local planning authorities pooling received developer contributions to support the delivery of a package of strategic mitigation measures.

3.6 The Bird Aware Solent annual reports are available online and provide more detail on the spending of the contributions received. More information can be found in Appendices C and D and on our website, which also includes a link to Bird Aware Solent: www.havant.gov.uk/planning-services/planning-policy/community-infrastructure-levy-cil/section-106-legal-agreements-3

Nutrient Neutral Development (NN)

3.7 Havant Borough Council is committed to development only taking place if it is sustainable development that includes relevant environmental protections. Part of the consideration of this is whether there would be a detrimental impact on the water quality of our protected coastline. In August 2020 the Council published a Position Statement and Mitigation Plan for Nutrient Neutral Development. This document has been updated since then, the most recent update being August 2025. More information including this document can be found on our website: www.havant.gov.uk/nutrient-neutrality-what-developers-need-know

3.8 The innovative mitigation project at Warblington Farm was developed in partnership with Natural England, with funding from the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership. By converting the site to a nature reserve in a series of phases, Havant Borough Council has provided a cost-effective mitigation solution for development in the borough, which will protect and enhance this natural environment now and into the future. The multi-functional approach offsets the nutrient load from new housing, protects the borough's coastline and provides additional benefits for protected bird species.

3.9 The scheme has won awards at the Planning Awards 2021 and the 2021 Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM) Awards.

3.10 In the monitoring year a total of 28 UUs were signed that included this type of mitigation.

Expenditure

3.11 S106 funding must be spent in accordance with the terms of the legal agreement, which has been drawn up and agreed as part of the planning application process. The Heads of Terms can include a clause to spend the S106 contribution usually between five and ten years following collection. S106 funding is more closely tied to the phasing of development set out in the terms of the legal agreement. S106 income varies on a site-by-site basis depending on a range of factors, such as the viability of development and site-specific considerations. This makes it difficult to forecast future S106 income and expenditure.

3.12 The council have robust processes for the expenditure of S106. The S106 funds spent in the reporting period are outlined in Appendix C.

3.13 The large majority of Affordable Housing is provided by the developer on site at no cost to the Council. There were no new permissions between 1/4/24 and 31/3/25 providing affordable housing on site. However, APP/18/01109 for 74 dwellings at

Dairy Crest commenced on 07/10/2024 in respect of the S106 dated 31/03/2021 (Reserved Matters APP/22/00829 and Deed of Variation dated 16/02/2024). The site is now being delivered with 100% affordable housing.

3.14 Photos below show progress on some existing housing delivery in the monitoring period:



Photo 3.2: New Housing at 'Forty Acres' (August 2024)



Photo 3.3: New homes finished during 2024 at North Street Arcade

3.15 Where it has not been practical to deliver affordable housing on site, developers have made a payment in lieu of this on site provision. The council continues in its aim to eradicate homelessness in the borough by purchasing suitable Temporary Accommodation. Havant Borough Council have agreed to implement a temporary accommodation purchase programme which will result in the council being able to work in a more agile and commercial manner to purchase temporary accommodation. As part of the agreed programme, the council will purchase property for use as temporary accommodation rather than relying on costly short-term solutions such as Bed and Breakfast placements. At Cabinet on 6 September 2023, it was recommended to Full Council to borrow through the Public Works Loan Board as is required to purchase property for use as temporary accommodation up to a limit of £2m. £700,000 of S106 Off-site Housing Contributions were also allocated to support this scheme. This decision was ratified at Council on 20 September 2023.

3.16 Additional information on expenditure relating to all S106 Agreements (including SRMS) can be found in Appendix C.

4 Other Infrastructure not previously reported

Langstone Harbour Nature Reserve

- 4.1 Timely intervention at Langstone Harbour Nature Reserve on Hayling Island has not only saved a key breeding ground for birds from adverse weather but also led to a bumper breeding season this year. Through close partnership working Havant Borough Council, the RSPB and the Blue Marine Foundation have not only restored part of the reserve for birds but also created opportunity for additional nature recovery on site.
- 4.2 At the beginning of the year, two lagoon islands at the heart of the site were raised and reshaped with 400 tonnes of shingle, restoring them to a perfect nesting location for terns, gulls & other shore nesting birds. The restored islands have proved an immediate success, with a marked increase in numbers nesting on the site this year.
- 4.3 Throughout the year, the RSPB have been monitoring the progress of the restored islands at the reserve. Higher numbers of Common Terns have been recorded breeding on site, as have Black-headed Gulls.

Outdoor Gym at Waterlooville Recreation Ground

- 4.4 The Great Outdoor Gym Company installed a new outdoor gym facility at Jubilee Park in Waterlooville. Work in the summer of 2024. The facility features a mix of calisthenics and weight training units as well as plyometric equipment and line markings that encourage movement. This is a £60,000 project which has been fully funded by Hampshire Public Health. The facility is free to use with open access for all. In addition, the Active Wellbeing Team are working with local providers to run formalised fitness sessions that target inactive groups, as a way of activating the site.

Community Allotments

- 4.5 The 'Grow It, Cook It, Eat It' project at Stockheath Lane allotments is progressing well. Although there are a growing number of volunteers, the team continues to seek opportunities to recruit more. Emsworth Community Garden is going from strength to strength. The volunteer led group has made considerable progress in creating the infrastructure that will support this project which is transforming impenetrable overgrown land into a community allotment, orchard and garden. Both projects are funded by Southwestern Railways and The Guinness Partnership with a modest contribution from Neighbourhood CIL.

Beach Management Works at South Hayling Island

- 4.6 Hayling Island is exposed to large waves and high tides. To prevent properties from flooding when these factors combine, Havant Borough Council undertake beach recycling works along the Eastoke Frontage. The work is carried out twice a year to give flood protection during winter storms and to prepare the beach for any adverse weather conditions during the summer.

4.7 Beach recycling is the movement of material from areas of beach build up to areas of erosion. This helps to restore beach levels and increase the standard of protection against flooding at Eastoke. The spring beach recycling campaign reinstated the beach crest ahead of the summer season.

4.8 Material for the project were sourced from the open beach with the remaining imported via road.



Photo 4.1: Beach recycling in progress

Broadmarsh Coastal Defence Scheme

4.9 Broadmarsh Coastal Park is a former coastal landfill site adjacent to Langstone Harbour. The site is owned and maintained by Havant Borough Council. The sea defences are in a poor condition, requiring regular and costly maintenance. To avert a significant failure of these defences, the council has been progressing studies into replacement defence options.

4.10 In 2024, £1.26 million from the HBC Capital Funding Programme was awarded to this project to take forward the scheme leading option (a rock revetement defence) for Detailed Design, Licencing, and Consents. The project stage is expected to take three years. The project is recognised as a corporate priority project by the Council, due to the significant risk of a breach in the defence and potential exposure of the landfill.

4.11 At Stage 2, we will continue to collaborate with Defra at a national level to seek future funding for coastal landfill sites at risk of erosion, to enable the scheme to progress to construction in Stage 3. In the interim, the defences are routinely inspected, and HBC Revenue funding has been allocated for 2024 for further maintenance of the revetment later this year to reduce the risk of defence failure.

Appendices

Appendix A: Indicative List of Infrastructure Projects that may be wholly or partly funded by the CIL

The indicative list below sets out those infrastructure projects that Havant Borough Council may wholly or partly fund by the CIL.

- **Local and strategic transport improvements, except for site specific matters needed to mitigate the impact of the development and to make it acceptable in planning terms**
- **Provision of new, or improvements to existing, open spaces**
- **Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Measures**
- **Mitigation measures identified through the Solent Disturbance and Mitigation Project, except for site specific matters needed to make the development acceptable in planning terms**
- **Provision of additional primary school places**
- **Library improvements**
- **Community and cultural facilities**

Explanatory Notes (updated 8 July 2015 and 7 December 2020)

1. Transport improvements may include works remote from the development site where the need for such works is identified in a Transport Assessment.
2. Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Measures refer to the projects falling within the scope/work of the Eastern Solent Coastal Partnership.
3. The Solent Disturbance and Mitigation Project is renamed the Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership. Under the Interim Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership Strategy, the interim mitigation requirements (including the appointment of rangers and a project officer) for which a separate charge is made, are not infrastructure and therefore do not fall within the scope of the Community Infrastructure Levy. That charge is necessary to make development acceptable under the Habitats Regulations and is therefore a separate requirement to CIL.
4. For additional primary school places S106 contributions will be required for new school places in Havant Borough with the exception of Leigh Park, where CIL

contributions may be required because of low viability. Leigh Park is defined as the area comprising the Barncroft, Warren Park, Battins and Bondfields Wards of the borough.

5. The inclusion of projects in the list does not signify a commitment by the council to fund all the projects listed, or the entirety of any one project through the Levy. Nor does the list imply any order of preference for spending. The council will review this list at least once a year, as part of its monitoring of the collection and spending of CIL funds.
6. The collection and spending of CIL funds, including the decisions made by the council on how funds will be used, will be reported in the Infrastructure Funding Statement⁵.

⁵ Text updated from 'Annual Monitoring Report' to Infrastructure Funding Statement 7 December 2020

Appendix B: Community Infrastructure Levy Matters.

Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations (2019 Amendment) Regulation 121A Schedule 2 Section 1

a) The total value of demand notices issued in the reported period is £646,765.93. This value is of demand notices issued within the reported period that have not been suspended or superseded by new demand notices outside of the reported period.

Of total value the amount from Liability Notices (liable floorspace after any relief that has been granted) is £642,233.37. The total value is from surcharges imposed due to breaches of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations is £4,408.57 and the total value of the late payment interest accrued is £123.99.

b) The total amount of CIL collected within the reported period totals £828,066.64.

c) The amount of CIL collected prior to the reported period totals £19,082,985.65. Of this total the following amount was collected in Cash and as Land Transactions (including payments in kind and infrastructure payments) and the following amounts remain unallocated:

Type	Received	Unallocated
Cash	£18,819,357.65	£4,000,378.77
Land Payment	£263,628.00	£13,181.40

d) The total amount of CIL collected prior to the reported period allocated in the reported period in relation to cash received is £11,246,437.31 and in relation to land payments (including payments in kind and infrastructure payments) is £0.00.

e) The total CIL expenditure recorded for the reported period is as follows:

Type	Expenditure
Admin CIL	£41,403.33
Neighbourhood CIL	£68,996.10
CIL Land Payments	£0.00
Other CIL Cash	£338,663.66
Total Value	£449,063.09

f) The total amount of CIL allocated and not spent during the reported period is as follows, this does not include allocations made within the reported year that have been fully spent:

Type	Allocated	Spent	Remaining
Admin CIL	£41,403.33	£41,403.33	£0.00
Neighbourhood CIL	£347,455.00	£49,855.60	£297,599.40
CIL Land Payments	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Other CIL Cash	£3,434,129.84	£27,511.25	£3,406,618.59

g) i) The items of infrastructure on which CIL (including land payments) has been spent within the reported year, and the amount of CIL spent on each item is as follows:

Infrastructure	Date	Amount	Description
Bushy Lease Strategic Sustainable Access Route (CIL and S106)	31 March 2025	£13,905.78	The project will create part of a strategic sustainable access route for use by pedestrians, cyclists and mobility vehicles between Havant and Waterlooville avoiding alternative busy roads or indirect routes. The section subject of this CIL bid will link Park House Farm Way with Hulbert Road using existing rights of way and a new section of path including a crossing of the Hermitage Stream, as part of a longer route between the two town centres
Rusty Cutter Link Road Active Travel Improvements	31 March 2025	£13,538.57	To improve the capacity for northbound traffic between the Tear Drop Junction and the Rusty Cutter Junction

Infrastructure	Date	Amount	Description
Future of Hayling Billy Trail inc. Preliminary Design and partial scheme delivery	12 September 2024 to 31 March 2025	£62,794.79	Study to investigate ways to improve the Hayling Billy Trail in order to increase its attractiveness as an all-weather off-road cycle route thereby reducing the numbers of cyclists using the A3023 and provide supporting preliminary design where applicable and contribution towards scheme delivery
Hayling FCERM Strategy	31 March 2025	£89,487.72	To develop a Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy for the entirety of the Hayling coastline for the next 100 years
Changing Places Facilities	31 March 2025	£134,071.32	New Changing Places Facilities within the Borough of Havant
Northney Drainage	31 March 2025	£4,956.39	Drainage resilience works at Northney including re-routing of drainage channel and creation of SuDS-type drainage scheme in fields to south
Hayling Seafront Boardwalks	31 March 2025	£19,909.08	Replacement of Hayling Seafront Boardwalks to provide improved accessibility to the beach

Of this money spent within the reported year, the number of affordable housing units provisioned via the spend of CIL money is nil.

- ii) The amount of CIL spent 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) is nil.
- iii) The amount of CIL collected towards administration expenses is £41,403.33. This was 5% of the total CIL receipts collected (£828,066.64) in the reported period.

Havant Borough Council has set a collection percentage of 5.00%. The percentage taken may differ due to Land payments (including payments in

kind and infrastructure payments) not being allocated to administration expenses and Surcharges not being split with Neighbourhood Areas.

The amount of CIL spent on administration expenses during the reported year was £41,403.33. This was 5% of the total CIL collected within the reported year.

h) Regarding CIL collected and allocated within the reported year that has not been spent, summary details of what has been allocated, is remaining to be spent and what it has been allocated towards is as follows:

Infrastructure	Amount Allocated	Amount Unspent	Allocation Dated
Havant Railway Footbridge Replacement	£2,800,000.00	£2,800,000.00	31 July 2024
Upgrade of Footpath 521 to Shared Use	£17,000.00	£17,000.00	11 October 2024
Waterlooville to Denmead Active Travel Corridor	£66,618.59	£66,618.59	31 March 2025
Bedhampton MUGA Conversion (105 and 72)	£20,425.00	£20,425.00	31 March 2025
Brambles Farm Link	£70,000.00	£70,000.00	31 March 2025
Scratchface Lane Park Funding	£59,625.00	£59,625.00	31 March 2025
Purbrook Heath Drainage System	£25,000.00	£25,000.00	07 October 2024
Springwood Centre Energy Efficiency Improvements	£23,905.00	£23,905.00	09 October 2024
DDA Compliant Path with Lighting Gauntletts Park (Morelands)	£60,000.00	£60,000.00	04 July 2024 to 24 October 2024
Northney Drainage	£35,000.00	£35,000.00	26 February 2025
Hayling Island Seafront Signage Refresh	£125,000.00	£125,000.00	26 February 2025
Cowplain Recreation Ground Play Area Refurbishment	£50,000.00	£4,671.00	31 March 2025
Bartons Green Basketball Court Upgrade	£50,000.00	£50,000.00	11 October 2024
Cycle Parking Stands to Encourage Cycling in Havant	£10,000.00	£10,000.00	08 October 2024

Infrastructure	Amount Allocated	Amount Unspent	Allocation Dated
Cycle Signage in Partnership with Cycle Hayling	£1,500.00	£1,499.99	08 October 2024
Upgrade Path to the South of Legion Field	£30,000.00	£25,473.41	16 October 2024
Replacement for Groyne 3 Aid to Navigation	£71,000.00	£71,000.00	26 February 2025
Safety Improvements to Cowplain Rec Entrance	£25,000.00	£25,000.00	26 February 2025
EV Charging Infrastructure at the Plaza	£110,000.00	£110,000.00	26 February 2025
EV Charging HBC Owned Car Parks	£104,000.00	£104,000.00	26 February 2025

i) i) The total amount of CIL passed to a neighbourhood zone under Regulation 59A (collected on behalf of the neighbourhood zone in cash), cash collected and allocated towards Neighbourhood CIL, and 59B (cash provided by the Charging Authority to Neighbourhood Zones equivalent to what they would have received on a payment in kind), are as follows:

Zone	Date	Amount Passed
Not applicable		

The following amounts were allocated towards neighbourhood zones under Regulation 59B, cash provided by the Charging Authority to Neighbourhood Zones equivalent to what they would have received on a payment in kind, during the reported year:

Zone	Amount	Date	Re-allocated from
Not applicable			

ii) The following spends within the reported year have been passed to a third party to spend on the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure under Regulation 59(4):

Infrastructure	Amount	Date	Spend Description
Not applicable	N/A	N/A	N/A

j) i) The total collected by Havant Borough Council for the reported year under Regulation 59E (CIL returned to the Charging Authority after 5 years if not spent) was £0.00 and under Regulation 59F, CIL collected and retained by

the Charging Authority for areas that are not designated Neighbourhood Zones, was £0.00.

ii) The amount of CIL allocated during the reported year under Regulation 59E, CIL returned to the Charging Authority that had been passed to a Neighbourhood Zone and had not been applied to infrastructure after a 5 year period, during the reported year is as follows:

Infrastructure	Neighbourhood Zone	Amount	Date
Not applicable			

The amount of CIL spent under Regulation 59E during the reported year is as follows:

Infrastructure	Amount	Date	Spend Description
Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

The amount of CIL allocated during the reported year under Regulation 59F during the reported year is as follows:

Infrastructure	Neighbourhood Zone	Amount	Date
Not applicable			

The amount of CIL spent under Regulation 59F during the reported year is as follows:

Infrastructure	Amount	Date	Spend Description
Not applicable			

k) i) The amount of CIL requested under Regulation 59E for the reported year is nil per neighbourhood zone:

ii) The amount of CIL still outstanding for recovery under Regulation 59E at the end of the reported year for all years is nil for each neighbourhood zone:

l) i) The amount of CIL collected, not assigned for Neighbourhood CIL or CIL Administration, for the reported year and that had not been spent is £320,027.09.

ii) The amount of CIL collected, not assigned for Neighbourhood CIL or CIL Administration, from 01 August 2013 to the end of the reported year that had not been spent is £13,016,227.14.

iii) The amount CIL collected and that had not been spent under Regulations 59E and 59F during the reported year are as follows:

Type	Retained
Regulation 59E	£0.00

Type	Retained
Regulation 59F	£0.00

iv) The amount of CIL collected from 01 August 2013 to the end of the reported year under Regulations 59E and 59F that has not been spent is as follows:

Type	Retained
Regulation 59E	£0.00
Regulation 59F	£0.00

Appendix C: Section 106 Matters (Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations (2019 Amendment) Regulation 121A Schedule 2 Section 3)

- a) The total amount of money to be provided under any planning obligations which were entered during the reported year is £185,877.69. This figure does not consider indexation (inflation/deflation) that may be applied when the money becomes due.
- b) The total amount of money received from planning obligations during the reported year was £640,981.45.
- c) The total amount of money received prior to the reported year that has not been allocated is £200,024.63.
- d) During the reported year the following non-monetary contributions have been agreed under planning obligations:
 - i) The total number of affordable housing units to be provided as on-site provision agreed under planning obligations is 0. There was one deed of variation relating to APP/19/00007, this however was an alternative affordable housing model to that agreed under the primary S106 agreement. The total number of affordable housing units to be provided by S106 off site funding allocations made within the reported period is 0.
 - ii) The following education provisions have been agreed under S106 agreements:

Education Type	Number of school places
None	

The following education provisions have been funded by offsite S106 and other funding sources allocated during the reported year:

Education Type	Number of school places
None	

Summary details of all non-monetary obligations agreed within the reported year are as follows:

Covenant Type/Service	Deed Date	Clause	Planning Application
Open Space and LAP/Community Team	06/12/2024	S6 C3.1	APP/18/00450
Open Space and LAP/Community Team	06/12/2024	S6 C3.2	APP/18/00450
Open Space and LAP/Community Team	06/12/2024	S6 C3.3	APP/18/00450
Allotment Land/S106 Monitoring	06/12/2024	S6 C5.1	APP/18/00450
Allotment Land/S106 Monitoring	06/12/2024	S6 C5.2	APP/18/00450
Community Orchard/S106 Monitoring	06/12/2024	S6 C6.1	APP/18/00450
Community Orchard/S106 Monitoring	06/12/2024	S6 C6.2	APP/18/00450
Open Space Land/S106 Monitoring	31/07/2024	S5 C3 3.1	APP/20/01093
Southern Site Access Works/HCC Highways	13/02/2025	S2 C2.5 - 2.6 - Pipeline	APP/20/00990
Southern Site Access Works/HCC Highways	13/02/2025	S2 C2.7 - 2.8 - Pipeline	APP/20/00990
Havant Borough Council Covenants/S106 Monitoring	01/05/2024	S8 1.3	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P1 1	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P1 2	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P1 3	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P1 4	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P1 5	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P1 6	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P1 7	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P2 1	APP/19/00007

Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P2 2	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P2 3	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P2 4	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P2 5	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P2 6	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P2 7	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P3 1	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P3 2	APP/19/00007
Affordable Housing - Rentplus Dwellings/Housing	01/05/2024	S10 P3 3	APP/19/00007
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	19/06/2024	S1 C1.5	APP/23/00928
Travel Plan Co-Ordinator/HCC Travel Plan	19/06/2024	S1 C1.6	APP/23/00928
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	19/06/2024	S1 C1.10	APP/23/00928
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	19/06/2024	S1 C1.11	APP/23/00928
Commencement/S106 Monitoring	18/09/2024	S2 C1 1.1	APP/21/00399
Submission of Documents/S106 Monitoring	18/09/2024	S2 C3 3.1	APP/21/00399
Highway Works/HCC Highways	18/09/2024	S3 C1 1.1	APP/21/00399
Highway Works/HCC Highways	18/09/2024	S3 C1 1.2	APP/21/00399
Havant Borough Council Covenants/S106 Monitoring	18/09/2024	S4 C1 1.1	APP/21/00399

Havant Borough Council Covenants/S106 Monitoring	18/09/2024	S4 C1 1.2	APP/21/00399
County Council Covenants/S106 Monitoring	18/09/2024	S5 C1 1	APP/21/00399
County Council Covenants/S106 Monitoring	18/09/2024	S5 C1 1.3	APP/21/00399
County Council Covenants/S106 Monitoring	18/09/2024	S5 C1 1.2	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.1	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.3	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.4	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.5 - 1.5.1	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.5.2	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.6	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.7 - 1.7.2	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.8	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.9	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.10	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.11	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.13	APP/21/00399
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	18/09/2024	S1 C1 1.14	APP/21/00399
Open Space and LAP/Community Team	06/12/2024	S6 C3.4	APP/18/00450
Open Space and LAP/Community Team	06/12/2024	S6 C3.5	APP/18/00450
SUDS/CELT	31/01/2025	S2 1.1	APP/24/00330
SUDS/CELT	31/01/2025	S2 1.2	APP/24/00330
SUDS/CELT	31/01/2025	S2 1.3	APP/24/00330
SUDS/CELT	31/01/2025	S2 1.4	APP/24/00330
SUDS/CELT	31/01/2025	S2 2.1	APP/24/00330
SUDS/CELT	31/01/2025	S2 2.2	APP/24/00330
SUDS/CELT	31/01/2025	S2 2.3	APP/24/00330

SUDS/CELT	31/01/2025	S2 2.5	APP/24/00330
SUDS/CELT	31/01/2025	S2 2.6	APP/24/00330
SUDS/CELT	31/01/2025	S2 2.7	APP/24/00330
Employment and Skills	31/01/2025	S2 3.1	APP/24/00330
Plans/Economic Development			
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	31/01/2025	S3 C1.1	APP/24/00330
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	31/01/2025	S3 C1.2	APP/24/00330
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	31/01/2025	S3 C1.3	APP/24/00330
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	31/01/2025	S3 C1.4	APP/24/00330
Travel Plan Cash Deposit/Security/HCC Travel Plan	31/01/2025	S3 C1.5 (1.5.1 1.5.2)	APP/24/00330
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	31/01/2025	S3 C1.6	APP/24/00330
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	31/01/2025	S3 C1.7	APP/24/00330
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	31/01/2025	S3 C1.8	APP/24/00330
Highway Works/HCC Highways	31/01/2025	S3 C2.1	APP/24/00330
Highway Works/HCC Highways	31/01/2025	S3 C2.2	APP/24/00330
Highway Works/HCC Highways	31/01/2025	S3 C2.3	APP/24/00330
Highway Works/HCC Highways	31/01/2025	S3 C2.4	APP/24/00330
Planning Permission/Development Management	31/01/2025	S4 C1.1	APP/24/00330
Pedestrian & Cycling Contribution/HCC Highways	31/01/2025	S5 C1.2	APP/24/00330
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	31/01/2025	S5 C2.1	APP/24/00330
Travel Plan HCC/HCC Travel Plan	31/01/2025	S5 C2.2	APP/24/00330
Commencement/S106 Monitoring	31/01/2025	S6 C1	APP/24/00330
Occupation/S106 Monitoring	31/01/2025	S6 C2	APP/24/00330
Submission of Documents/S106 Monitoring	31/01/2025	S6 C3	APP/24/00330

e) The total amount of money from planning obligations allocated towards infrastructure during the reported year was £1,628,679.40. Of this amount £799,111.41 was not spent during the reported year.

f) The total amount of money from planning obligations spent during the reported year was £1,555,172.96. Of this amount £54,210.67 was spent by a third party on behalf of Havant Borough Council.

g) The following items have had money allocated towards them during the reported year with unspent allocations:

Infrastructure	Allocated	Date Allocated	Unspent
Brambles Farm Link	£18,596.95	31 March 2025	£18,596.95
Nutrient Neutral (Main Payment) Commitments collected to 31/3/23	£70,826.89	31 March 2025	£70,826.89
Spent funds no longer extant on Accounts	£25.46	30 June 2024	£25.46
Health Contributions to be transferred to Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board (up to 31/03/26)	£16,500.88	09 April 2024 to 09 October 2024	£16,500.88
Purchase of Affordable Housing at Camp Field	£146,697.46	26 February 2025	£146,697.46
Nutrient Neutral (Main Payment) Commitments collected from 1/4/24 to 31/3/25	£309,987.97	09 October 2024 to 31 March 2025	£309,987.97
Community Worker Payment Camp Field	£10,847.85	09 April 2024	£10,847.85
Acquisition and fit out of temporary accommodation - 7 London Road, Widley and 54 Stockheath Road, Leigh Park	£148,326.46	26 February 2025	£148,326.46

Infrastructure	Allocated	Date Allocated	Unspent
Construction Skills Training	£76,246.64	07 February 2025	£76,246.64
Extant Sports SPG Funding	£1,000.00	04 February 2025	£1,000.00

h) In relation to money which was spent by Havant Borough Council during the reported year:

i) The items of infrastructure that planning obligation money has been spent on and the amount spent are as follows:

Infrastructure	Spent	Date Spent	Spend Description
Bushy Lease Strategic Sustainable Access Route (CIL and S106)	£13,007.73	11 October 2019 to 31 March 2025	Tranche 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8A & 8B
Nutrient Neutral (Main Payment) Commitments collected to 31/3/23	£3,832.00	06 September 2024 to 17 July 2025	Tranche 1, 2 & 3
Employment Skills Training	£4,800.00	31 March 2024 to 06 February 2025	Tranche 1 VR Headsets & Tranche 1: Forklift and Counterbalance Training
Greywell Car Park (Somborne Drive) Sustainable Drainage	£8,981.26	31 March 2024 to 10 October 2034	Tranche 1 & Tranche 2
Community Worker Funds - Forty Acres	£16,112.21	31 March 2022 to 31 March 2025	Tranche 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 4A & 4B
Community Worker Payment Land at Sinah Lane	£9,491.02	28 February 2023 to 31 March 2025	Tranche 1, 2A, 2B & 3A
Miscellaneous Funds 2023 Plus/Monitoring Fees	£8,833.28	31 March 2025	Tranche 1
Main SRMS funds t/f to bankers Q3 & Q4 2024	£4,050.00	04 April 2024	Tranche 1 *Includes Third Party spending

Infrastructure	Spent	Date Spent	Spend Description
Temporary Accommodation Project	£700,000.00	31 March 2025	Tranche 1
Main SRMS funds t/f to bankers Q1 2025	£11,883.19	03 July 2024	T/f to Bankers *Includes Third Party spending
S106 Monitoring Fees 2024/5	£11,680.99	31 March 2025	Tranche 1
Alternative Cemetery Provision	£304,228.67	19 September 2024	Tranche 1
TRO Funds for Transfer to Hampshire County Council 1/4/24 onwards	£5,206.23	19 September 2024 to 27 August 2025	Tranche 1 & Tranche 2 *Includes Third Party spending
Main SRMP/S funds t/f to bankers Q2 2025	£31,112.25	15 October 2024	Tranche 1 *Includes Third Party spending
Main SRMP/S funds t/f to bankers Q3 2025	£151,954.13	14 February 2025	Tranche 1 *Includes Third Party spending
Acquisition and fit out of temporary accommodation - Phase 3 LAHF	£270,000.00	31 March 2025	Tranche 1

ii) The amount of planning obligation money spent on repaying money borrowed, including any interest, with details of the items of infrastructure which that money was used to provide are as follows:

Date	Amount Used	Loan/Interest	Infrastructure Funded
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

iii) The amount of planning obligation money spent in respect of administration of planning obligations and monitoring in relation to the delivery of planning obligations during the reported year was £52,632.47.

i) The total amount of money retained at the end of the reported year is £4,583,685.10. There are no retained maintenance funds as these have been transferred to our Property Team to manage (project titled Estates Maintenance Fund).

Appendix D: Bird Aware Solent

Background

The Solent is internationally important for its wildlife and three Special Protection Areas (SPAs) have been designated. The Solent's species are protected under national and international law. Local planning authorities must ensure that new development does not impact on the integrity of the Solent's designated sites.

Research undertaken during 2009 - 2013 assessed the impact of recreational activity on wintering birds on the Solent. The research highlighted that planned new housing in South Hampshire would result in a large increase in coastal visits, with a likely impact on the birds unless mitigation measures were put in place. The research showed that mitigation would be required from all new dwellings built within 5.6 kilometres of the boundaries of the SPAs (this is the zone from which 75% of coastal visits originate within). Planning authorities must therefore ensure that necessary mitigation measures are in place before they grant permission for new development.

The Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership was established over a decade ago to co-ordinate the use of developer contributions from planning authorities to fund strategic mitigation measures. Now known as 'Bird Aware Solent', the partnership comprises the fourteen Solent local planning authorities, Hampshire County Council, Natural England, the RSPB, Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust and Chichester Harbour Conservancy. Governance is provided by the Joint Committee of the Partnership for South Hampshire (PfSH) with the involvement of the representatives of the non-PfSH authorities. Further information is available at [Home - Bird Aware Solent](#) and a useful Frequently Asked Questions document can be viewed [here](#).

Bird Aware Solent Mitigation Strategy (first adopted 2017 and revised in 2024)

Based on the research undertaken, the [Bird Aware Solent Revised Strategy September 2024 - Bird Aware Solent](#) sets out a package of agreed mitigation measures to ensure that new residential development does not impact on the integrity of the Solent's protected sites. The Strategy enables developments within the 5.6km catchment area to opt into the scheme and make a financial contribution towards the strategic mitigation of recreational pressures. Developer contributions are pooled from across the planning authorities to fund a range of strategic habitat mitigation measures. Developers also have the option of providing their own mitigation if they have the ability to do so, but it is usually simpler, quicker and less costly to make a contribution towards the joint Strategy.

The Use of Developer Contributions Towards the Solent Mitigation Strategy

[Developer contributions](#) are paid to the local planning authorities from new residential and visitor accommodation development and it is a decision for each authority which legal mechanism is used to secure the contributions. The contributions are transferred quarterly to the partnership, where they are pooled to implement mitigation measures. The developer contributions are based on a sliding scale for dwelling size (from 1-bed to 5+ bed properties). The level of contribution is

reviewed on an annual basis, based on the level of inflation. In 2024 the mitigation strategy was updated to cover recreational impacts on both summer and over-wintering birds for the Solent coast.

The partnership sets a budget for each year. The value of the developer contributions received by the partnership each year and details of all expenditure are set out in an annual report. These [annual reports](#) describe progress during the preceding year; how the developer contributions were spent; and setting out the plans and budget for the following year.

The Solent Recreation Mitigation Strategy Annual Report 2025 (December 2025) describes the progress made during the 2024/25 financial year and sets out the plans for 2025/26: *During 2024/25, planning permission was granted for 3,660 net new dwellings which were assessed as requiring mitigation for recreational impacts on the Solent; and the total developer contributions received by the Partnership between April 2024 and March 2025 amounted to £1,960,211.*

Set out below is an overview of some of the main mitigation projects supported in the 2024/25 reporting year through the use of pooled developer contributions and further details can be found in Appendix 1 of the Annual Report 2025.

Bird Aware Solent – Overview of 2024/25 Projects

2024/25 Mitigation Measure	Developer Contribution
Team of rangers The key mitigation measure is a team of rangers who patrol the coast and lead on engagement activities. The rangers aim to reduce bird disturbance by helping people to better understand the importance of the over-wintering birds and their vulnerability to disturbance. They advise people on how small changes in their behaviour can be hugely beneficial to the birds. The ranger team completed 477 site visits and engaged with a total of 5,324 people while on the coast during the 2025/25 reporting year. Rangers also attended over 100 community events during the reporting period.	£329,492 for ranger team £51,100 for Dog Initiatives Ranger plus £10,000 budget
Monitoring The Partnership has moved to a new monitoring schedule, where annual monitoring does not take place but an extensive season of monitoring will take place every 5 years. Rangers continue to collect data relating to each site visit and interaction and the Monitoring Officer continues to closely monitor the supported site-specific project sites. All of the information captured is analysed by the Monitoring Officer and provides valuable insights into how resources are deployed.	£44,519
Site Specific Projects From April 2020, the Partnership has set aside £2 million every 5 years to fund series of capital projects designed to further the aims of the strategy through the provision of visitor management techniques, enhanced bird habitats, enhanced strategic	£400,000

<p>recreational space or public engagement and education initiatives. During this reporting period, legal agreements were drafted to support 20 projects. The Monitoring Officer has also worked to establish baseline monitoring for the approved sites and also to look at the mitigation impact created at sites that are close to completion.</p>	
<p>Campaigns and Engagement A member of the Ranger Team continues to have a focus on Content Creation and works alongside the Campaigns and Engagement Officer to produce a series of targeted materials and campaigns. The Bird Aware Solent Website achieved 127,993 pageviews from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025 – an increase of 85% compared with the same period for 2023/24. Strong growth was also seen across the main Bird Aware Solent social media accounts. In Autumn 2024 the Great Coastal Birdwatch returned for its sixth year and was led by Bird Aware Solent and rolled out by other mitigation groups.</p>	<p>£53,000 for the Comms Officer £10,000 budget</p>

The partnership is also investing a proportion of the developer contributions received in order to create an investment pot which will fund the mitigation measures in-perpetuity.

Bird Aware Solent – 2025/26 Projects

The fourteen local planning authorities within the Solent's 5.6km catchment area continue to pool developer contributions. A budget has been set for 2025/26 totalling **£3,698,000** to fund the implementation of mitigation measures and associated costs. Further details are available in Appendix 2 of the Annual Report 2025 and the headlines are set out below. Please note, this does not list the full range of mitigation measures due to be funded in 2025/26.

2025/26 mitigation measure	Developer Contribution
<p>Team of full time and seasonal rangers and other support staff Under the revised Bird Aware Solent Strategy (2024), the new team structure includes 9 ranger roles (including rangers focusing specifically on water sports; and community engagement focusing on dogs and communication). This team is supported by officers including a Communications Lead, a Senior Monitoring Officer, and a Site-Specific Projects Officer. The Bird Aware Solent rangers complement the work undertaken by other rangers along the Solent coast (including those employed by Hampshire County Council, the Wildlife Trust and others).</p>	£869,000
<p>Dog Initiatives Implementation of initiatives to encourage responsible dog walking on the coast to avoid bird disturbance (£30,000). Recruitment for two new members of the dog initiatives team has been ongoing. One of these posts will focus on the engagement around breeding</p>	£30,000

<p>birds and events, working closely with the similar water-sports role. The other will work on outreach to dog industry professionals, building collaborative relationships and bespoke resources.</p>	
<p>Campaigns and Engagement To include the employment of a full time Campaigns & Engagement Officer role (£64,000); and £30,000 for the campaigns operational budget. In 2025/26 this work will include a redesign of the Bird Aware Solent website; 'Watersports with Wildlife' materials creation and promotion; and the creation of more bespoke signage and resources. The campaigns and engagement in 2025/26 will focus on summer breeding SPA birds which are now covered by the Bird Aware Solent mitigation Revised Strategy (2024).</p>	£94,000
<p>Monitoring The mitigation scheme allocates £25,000 towards consultancy support for monitoring in 2025/26; and a £12,000 contribution towards a Monitoring Officer.</p>	£37,000
<p>Site Specific Projects £2 million is set aside over 5 years to fund capital projects to further the aims of the strategy through the provision of visitor management techniques, enhanced bird habitats, enhanced strategic recreational space, public engagement and education initiatives.</p>	£400,000

Conclusions

National policy continues to require planning authorities to work together to address strategic, cross-boundary matters. The Bird Aware Solent mitigation scheme and partnership is a good example of joint working, with fourteen planning authorities pooling received developer contributions to support the delivery of a package of strategic mitigation measures. These measures enable both the delivery of planned new development and also local authorities - as 'competent authorities' under the Habitats Regulations - to meet their legal obligations. During this reporting period, work concluded on the formal review of the Bird Aware Strategy, with the revised version being approved by the Partnership for South Hampshire in September 2024, then subsequently approved by each of the individual local planning authorities before the end of the financial year. The Revised Strategy came into operation from 1 April 2025 and has a wider scope in that it will now provide mitigation from recreational disturbance to breeding SPA birds. The Solent Recreation Mitigation Strategy annual reports are available online and provide more detail on the spending of the contributions received.