Overview of CIL Governance Document 2023 – proposed amendments

Reason for Amendments:

- Project Criteria have been linked to current Corporate Priorities & Objectives
- Changes made, taking into consideration previous applications to date.
- Change of Project Titles to reduce confusion based on applicant feedback & highlight that projects must be related to Infrastructure.
- More opportunity for smaller projects to receive funding
- To give clarity and assist applicants when making an application
- To provide guidance to the Panel & Cabinet when decision making
- More Transparent process for the public & community
- Simplify process of scoring for Officers

Main Changes:

Section 3 Applying for Funding – BC linked apps to be approved by Cabinet, not the Spending Panel

New subsections:

- **3.1 Essential Requirements** –For Clarity and to ensure these details are highlighted
- 3.2 Consultation Requirements
 - Parish/Town Council a requirement for all applicants to liaise with Local Council
 - Unparished Areas incl Kings Lynn advice to liaise with Parish meetings
 - All application advised to consult with local elected members (Ward Cllrs)

Section 4. Infrastructure Projects over 30k - 50% of Available Funds

- Reduction of available funding from 60% based on application history
- Amended Criteria & guidance text
- Dropped Transport linked to KL Plan but added Open Space & Leisure which includes active living and sustainable transport
- Reduce lower limit to include smaller community projects within the criteria

Section 5 Infrastructure Projects between £2 & £30k – 50% of available funds

- Increase of funding from 40% based on application history
- Reduction on upper limit to enable more community projects to be funded
- Amended Criteria & guidance text
- Dropped Community Transport but added Open Space & Leisure

All Projects – Ability to transfer up to 10% between projects – already agreed by Cabinet for last round of apps FY22_2 opening 01 July - to give panel ability to use the CIL effectively and meet application needs.

Section 9 Appendix 3 Project Application Scoring & Online Form

- One Application Form with more guidance
- Simpler format to avoid confusion
- To simplify project scoring and reduce administration for BC officers
- Additional advice provided to assist applicants
- New Summary of Expenditure required
- Amalgamated Match Funding to level field for unparished areas not receiving CIL
- All projects to provide Local Support & Evidence of Need was just for over £50k apps