

# Area Committee 5

22 February 2024



**Report of:** Ellie Stevens, Community Resources Manager

**Title:** Area Committee 5 Second Formal Meeting 2023/24

**Ward:** Area Committee 5 wards: Brislington East, Brislington West, Knowle, Southville, Windmill Hill

**Member Presenting Report:** Councillor Ed Plowden

## Recommendations

1. That the Area Committee take note that this year, there is no option to pre commit funding or go into deficit of CIL funds. This is due to changes to Area Committee boundaries which are due to take place (Item F)
2. To consider the approval of funding for the Proposals submitted for consideration, including any conditions which the committee may wish to attach and to consider allocation of eligible S106 monies to support relevant proposals in order to conserve CIL funds for future use (Item G)
3. To note the legal information concerning the Public Sector Equality duty in reaching all its decisions (Item I)

## Summary

This report sets out the available funds for allocation by Area Committee 5, and lists the proposals to be considered at the meeting of the Committee on 22 February 2024.

## The significant issues in the report are:

- Area Committee 5 has £434,285.59 available of general CIL to allocate at 31 December 2023.
- Councillors are asked to consider the approval of funding for 17 Proposals submitted at Stage 2.

## **A. Background**

1. Six Area Committees were approved at the Full Council meeting on 20th March 2018 to hold delegated decision-making powers over non-earmarked Section 106 and local Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds.
2. Area Committee 5 consists of the councillors representing the wards of Brislington East, Brislington West, Knowle, Southville and Windmill Hill.
3. Each Area Committee will meet formally twice a year to make decisions on the awarding of local CIL and S106. 15% of CIL generated within each Area Committee area is available for spend. Those parts of an Area Committee which have a formally adopted Neighbourhood Development Plan receive 25% of the CIL generated within the defined border of their Plan to support their identified infrastructure priorities.
4. Information about Area Committees, CIL and S106 processes can be found on the BCC website at: <https://www.bristol.gov.uk/people-communities/local-decision-making>

## **B. Terms of Reference**

5. The Area Committee Terms of Reference were approved at Full Council on 20th March 2018 and adopted at the 2018 Area Committee on 3rd October 2018.
6. The Area Committee Terms of Reference were updated in August 2023 with the following clause:
  4. Procedure rules Meeting arrangements
  - 4.1 Area Committee meetings will normally be held twice a year. These meetings will be supported by Democratic Services

## **C. Progress update on CIL & S106-funded projects approved at previous Area Committee Meetings**

7. Progress updates are published every six months on previous schemes approved by the Area Committee. The latest was published in August 2023. The next will be published in February 2024. Updates can be found at: <https://www.bristol.gov.uk/people-communities/area-committee-progress-updates>

## **D. Allocation of CIL and Section 106 Funds**

8. Developing Outline and Full Proposals for funding from CIL and S106 resources:
  - 8.1. All ward councillors undertook community conversations within their wards across the period June – September 2023. From this process they chose a number of Stage 1 Outline Project Proposals to deliver priority pieces of work providing significant community benefit.
  - 8.2. The Area Committee then met formally on 18 October 2023 to consider the funding available and select the projects they wanted to invite to submit Stage 2 Full Proposals. Those proposals are set out in this report for consideration and decision at this meeting.

**E. CIL and Section 106 Monies available to Area Committee 5 at 31 December 2023****9. CIL available:**

At the end of 31 December 2023 there was an overall sum of £434,285.59 available to Area Committee 5.

**See Appendix 1**

**10. If the Committee approves all the requests for CIL funding at Item G the following CIL funds will remain:**

- For General AC5 expenditure: **-£40,072.41**

**11. Section 106 available:**

At the end of 31 December 2023 there was a total of £101,349.30 uncommitted Section 106 agreement monies available for AC5, of which £659.11 is designated specifically for tree planting and tree replacement.

**12. All S106 agreements are legally bound to be spent according to the Purpose of the Contribution so can only be approved for projects which met these conditions.**

**See Appendix 2**

**F. No pre-commitment of future CIL receipts:****13. This year Area Committees are not able to approve funding for a Stage 2 proposal by pre committing 'still to be received' CIL funds. There is no option to go into a deficit of CIL funding at this meeting by over-committing on the assumption of a future receipt of CIL. This is because Area Committee boundaries will change before the next set of committee meetings and their balances need to be calculated afresh based on new boundaries.****G. Projects invited to submit Stage 2 Full Proposals**

Ward	Proposal ref no.	Name of Project Proposal	Delivery group	Outline £ offered	Full Proposal £ requested	CIL requested	S106 requested and the codes	Conditions & notes
1. Southville	AC523P05	Managing domestic waste on Warden Rd	BCC Housing	£30,000	£30,000	£30,000		None
2. Brislington East	AC523P08	Eastwood Farm MUGA	BCC Parks	£98,000	£98,000	£98,000		None
3. Brislington West	AC523P113	Improving St Cuthbert's	Community Org.- St Cuthbert's Church	£28,000	£28,000	£28,000		None

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4. Brislington West	AC523P115	Hungerford Community Centre	Community Org.- Hungerford Community Centre	£21,800	£21,800	£21,000		None
5. Knowle	AC523P116	Redcatch Park - Park seats	BCC Parks	£37,000	£19,773	£19,773		None
6. Knowle	AC523P123	Northern Slopes - Muriel's Steps	BCC Parks	£25,000	£25,000	£25,000		None
7. Southville	AC523P26	LPW Community Hub Bedminster	Community Org.- Learning Partnership West (LPW)	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000		None
8. Bedminster	AC523P75	Notice Boards for Foxcote Road, Ashton, BS3	Community Org.- Residents group Foxcote Rd.	£1,200	£1,320	£1,320		None
9. Bedminster	AC523P76	Ashton Vale CYP media and arts room	Community Org.- Ashton Vale Club for Young People	£58,500	£58,500	£58,500		None
10. Windmill Hill	AC523P79	Providing planters at the end of St Johns Lane	BCC Transport	£5,000	£5,000	£5,000		None
11. Brislington West	AC523P80	Accessible Toilet in Church Hall	Community Org.- St Christopher's Church	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000		Budget + EQIA not submitted.

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12. Southville	AC523P81	Catering and hospitality facilities to tackle food insecurity & social isolation	Community Org.- St Paul's Church	£50,000	£50,000	£50,000		None
13. Windmill Hill	AC523P84	BJM Disabled Access	Community Org.- Bristol Jamia Mosque	£35,000	£35,000	£35,000		None
14. Windmill Hill	AC523P86	Victoria Park - Children's Swings	BCC Parks		£19,665	£19,665		None
15. Multiple Wards	AC523P87	Provision of Public Access Defibrillators	Community Org.- Great Western Air Ambulance Charity	£36,000	£36,000	£36,000		None
16. Multiple (Southville/ Windmill Hill)	AC523P89	Bedminster Station Mural	Community Org.- Severnside Community Rail partnership	£26,000	£26,000	£26,000		None
17. Bedminster	AC523P92	Community Notice Board	Community Org.- Ashton Vale Together	£1,000	£1,100	£1,100		Please note that the amount requested on

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								proposal is £1000.
<b>TOTAL CIL</b>						<b>£474,358</b>		

14. The Committee is asked to note that the two proposals “AC523P92 Community Notice Board Community Org.- Ashton Vale Together” and “AC523P75 Notice Boards for Foxcote Road, Ashton, BS3 Community Org.- Residents group Foxcote Rd” have requested a 10% increase to the funding allocated to them in the first formal meeting. This is due to the fact that being unincorporated associations, they will need to work with an Accountable Body who can receive and administer funds on their behalf, but will charge a 10% ‘handling fee’ to do this. The two groups have developed project proposals with an increased budget to cover these fees.

**See Appendix 3 for Full Project Proposal forms**

15. The Committee is asked to note that “AC523P84 Bristol Jamia Mosque (BJM) Disabled Access” has made a request to AC5 for additional funds – please see appendix 4. This is due to the fact that when BJM submitted their Outline Proposal the costings were a best guest estimate and since then, in order to develop the full project proposal, BJM has received quotes and professional advice, indicating full costings of **£75,000**.

**See Appendix 4**

16. The Committee is asked to note that the following two proposals were invited to Stage 2 but withdrew before submitting a full proposal form:

Ward	Proposal ref no.	Name of Project Proposal	Delivery group	Outline £ offered	Full Proposal £ requested	CIL requested	S106 requested and the codes	Conditions
Knowle	AC523P06	IT upgrade - The Park Centre	The Park Centre	£11,316	£11,316	£11,316		
Windmill Hill	AC523P146	Somerset Terrace Community Garden	BS3 Wildlife Group	£500	£500	£500		
<b>TOTAL CIL</b>						<b>£11,816</b>		

17. **Recommendation:** That the Area Committee considers the project proposals submitted and whether to approve full or partial funding to deliver these projects or not; any conditions which it might want to place on the projects.

**H. Projects considered at Stage 1 first formal meeting and not invited to submit Stage 2 proposal:**

Proposal ref no.	Ward	Name of Proposal	Decision rationale
AC523P04	Windmill Hill	St Mary Redcliffe CE Primary School	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P07	Brislington East	Wyndham Crescent Broomhill Road	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P114	Brislington West	Improving St Cuthbert's for Everyone	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P117	Knowle	Renovation of pavilion	Withdrawn by applicant during the first formal meeting
AC523P118	Knowle	Replace/ resurface boggy area in park	Withdrawn by applicant during the first formal meeting
AC523P119	Knowle	Childrens playground refurb	Withdrawn by applicant during the first formal meeting
AC523P120	Knowle	New public toilets	Withdrawn by applicant during the first formal meeting
AC523P121	Knowle	Tennis court Refurb	Withdrawn by applicant during the first formal meeting
AC523P122	Knowle	Re-development Redcatch community gardens	Withdrawn by applicant during the first formal meeting
AC523P139	Brislington West	Sandy Road Park Road Improvement	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P140	Brislington West	New tarmac path and benches	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P141	Brislington West	Safer Roads Brislington	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P25	Brislington West	St Luke's church hall heating upgrade	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P27	Windmill Hill	Upgrading the roof at Windmill Hill Community Centre	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P73	Southville	Creating Volunteer Welfare Facilities	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P74	Southville	Community capacity building	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.

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AC523P77	Knowle	St Barnabus Access & sustainability project	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P82	Southville	Bike hangars in Southville	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P83	Windmill Hill	BJM Solar Panels	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P85	Windmill Hill	BJM Carpeting	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P88	Windmill Hill	Victoria Park - Dog Free Area Fence	Only limited CIL fund available, and this proposal was not priority 1.
AC523P91	Bedminster	Compass Point Street Safety Project	Not prioritised due to the backlog of transport projects and complexity of the proposed scheme.

### I. Equalities/Public Sector Equality Duty: Legal Information

**18.** When councillors decide how CIL and Section 106 is spent they should have due regard to the Public Sector Equality Duty that applies to all public bodies. This duty is contained in the Equality Act 2010 and came in to force on 6 April 2011. It replaces previous equality duties under the Sex Discrimination, Race Relations and Disability Discrimination Acts.

**19.** The duty means that councillors are required to have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited under the Act
- Promote equality of opportunity between different groups
- Foster good relations between people from different groups

**20.** The duty covers the following protected characteristics:

- Disability
- Sexual orientation
- Age
- Gender reassignment
- Religion and belief
- Sex
- Race
- Pregnancy and maternity
- It also applies to marriage and civil partnership, but only in respect of the requirement to eliminate discrimination and harassment.