

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulations 2010 (as amended)

Infrastructure List 2023/24

Introduction

CIL is money we collect from developments to invest in infrastructure to help support the development of the borough.

Newham Council is required annually to publish a list on our website of the types of projects we may fund with the CIL we collect from development across the borough.

Councillors at a meeting of Newham Council's Cabinet agreed this Infrastructure List.

Purpose of the Infrastructure List

We want to be open about our plans for what we may fund via the CIL. This is to ensure that our residents, businesses and those who want to invest in the borough know what Newham Council intends to fund from the CIL. If a project or type of infrastructure is not listed below we currently do not have plans to make an investment of CIL funds in it but this may change in the future.

Your councillors have identified that there is a need for investment across all of the borough – not just where the new homes are being built or where jobs are being created.

What are the Council's priorities for investment?

The law says that the Strategic CIL cannot be spent on housing or affordable housing. Also, the Council cannot use the Strategic CIL to fund employability or economic support programmes like Our Newham Work. These remain corporate priorities linked to the growth and development of the borough but we cannot spend CIL on them.

The Building a Fairer Newham Corporate Plan and the Local Plan set Newham Council's strategic vision for how the borough will grow and develop. Alongside this Newham Council's Capital Strategy will set out the priorities for investment in Council infrastructure and the medium term financial strategy and annual budget will consider service delivery.

For 2023/4 the themes of projects or operations of the Council which will or may wholly or partly be funded via CIL are listed in the table below:

Provision, improvement, operation and maintenance of:
Town centres, local centres and employment uses; civic uses and community facilities
Public Realm – including walking and cycling initiatives which connect social and green infrastructure to our residents
Newham’s parks, open spaces, green spaces
Play equipment; outdoor gym equipment in Newham’s parks and housing areas
Newham’s sports facilities
Newham’s Education Facilities
Newham’s Health & Social Care Facilities
Newham’s Cultural Facilities
Newham’s Carbon reduction initiatives and energy infrastructure e.g. District heating schemes
Newham’s Flood Defences

The types of investment made will be subject to robust governance processes and ensure that the investment made achieves corporate priorities and fulfils the Council’s requirements in law and set out in Government guidance¹. During 2023/24 CIL monies will be applied to infrastructure owned or otherwise controlled by Newham Council.

Reporting on investment

The Council produce and publish a report on the Council’s website annually, setting out the income, allocation and expenditure in relation to the CIL.

¹ The Council has a duty to apply Strategic CIL towards infrastructure in accordance with Regulation 59.