

<b>Appendix A: Initial equality impact assessment screening form</b> This form records an equality screening process to determine the relevance of equality to a proposal, and a decision whether or not a full EIA would be appropriate or proportionate.	
<b>Directorate</b>	Community Development
<b>Service area</b>	Planning
<b>Proposal being screened</b>	Community Infrastructure Policy Spending Protocol and Infrastructure Funding Statement
<b>Officer(s) carrying out screening</b>	Rachael Hutton, Principal Policy and Delivery Officer
<b>What are you proposing to do?</b>	To approve the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Spending Protocol which oversees the convergence of legacy council's CIL receipts and collection, auditing and spending of future CIL monies. This ensures that CIL serves its purpose of contributing to the delivery of the infrastructure necessary to support development in North Yorkshire.
<b>Why are you proposing this? What are the desired outcomes?</b>	The recommendations within the report will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• provide clarity, transparency and consistency in the allocation and spending of CIL receipts</li> <li>• set out the relationship between the North Yorkshire Council as the new charging authority and the legacy charging authorities</li> <li>• ensure CIL receipts are spent on infrastructure required to support development, in accordance with the CIL Regulations 2010 specifically as amended in September 2019 ('the CIL Regulations')</li> <li>• ensure CIL serves its purpose of supporting the delivery of the infrastructure necessary to support the development in North Yorkshire</li> <li>• meet regulations with regard to the approval and publication of the IFS</li> </ul>
<b>Does the proposal involve a significant commitment or removal of resources?</b> Please give details.	The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) together with Planning Obligations (s106) represent sources of funding to provide additional infrastructure or services necessary to enable or support development.  Such funding normally only represents a proportion of the total cost of the infrastructure. Therefore, additional funding from other sources may be required to deliver the infrastructure necessary. These sources could include Department for Transport via National Highways and Network Rail, Department for Education, and specific grants including Grant in Aid from Defra and Levelling up funding.  CIL provides for an administration fee, as a process the administration is self-financing. There are no VAT implications (CIL is o/s for VAT)
<b>Impact on people with any of the following protected characteristics as defined by the Equality Act 2010, or NYC's additional agreed characteristics</b> As part of this assessment, please consider the following questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To what extent is this service used by particular groups of people with protected characteristics?</li> </ul>	

- Does the proposal relate to functions that previous consultation has identified as important?
- Do different groups have different needs or experiences in the area the proposal relates to?

If for any characteristic it is considered that there is likely to be an adverse impact or you have ticked 'Don't know/no info available', then a full EIA should be carried out where this is proportionate. You are advised to speak to your directorate representative for advice if you are in any doubt.

Protected characteristic	Potential for adverse impact		Don't know/No info available
	Yes	No	
Age		✓	
Disability		✓	
Sex		✓	
Race		✓	
Sexual orientation		✓	
Gender reassignment		✓	
Religion or belief		✓	
Pregnancy or maternity		✓	
Marriage or civil partnership		✓	
People in rural areas		✓	
People on a low income		✓	
Carer (unpaid family or friend)		✓	
Are from the Armed Forces Community		✓	
<b>Does the proposal relate to an area where there are known inequalities/probable impacts</b> (for example, disabled people's access to public transport)? Please give details.	No		
<b>Will the proposal have a significant effect on how other organisations operate?</b> (for example, partners, funding criteria, etc.). Do any of these organisations support people with protected characteristics? Please explain why you have reached this conclusion.	No		
<b>Decision (Please tick one option)</b>	EIA not relevant or proportionate:	✓	Continue to full EIA:
<b>Reason for decision</b>	This proposal ensures that CIL money already collected is spent on infrastructure within the legacy districts and that future spending priorities are identified in line with projects that support Local Plan growth within each area. These projects provide the valuable infrastructure required to support additional growth to ensure that existing communities are not negatively impacted by insufficient or ineffective infrastructure. It is concluded therefore that the proposal would not negatively impact any of protected characteristics. In fact, the provision of essential infrastructure is likely to benefit these groups and the community as a whole.		
<b>Signed (Assistant Director or equivalent)</b>	Trevor Watson		
<b>Date</b>	22/1/24		