Officer assessment criteria – Factors considered when determining whether projects/schemes are to be funded through Strategic CIL

Criteria		Details	Section of the Strategic CIL Bid Form
1	Does the project/scheme relate to the provision of strategic infrastructure?	Proposed projects should relate to 'infrastructure' as defined by the CIL Regulations. Proposed projects must meet the 'strategic' infrastructure definition.	Section 2
2	Is there a need for the project/scheme?	The applicant must demonstrate a clear and identifiable need for the scheme and how it supports the growth of the borough. Projects must be identifiable on the Council's Infrastructure Funding Statement and Infrastructure Delivery Plan.	Section 3
3	Is the scheme part of an existing strategy/plan?	It is expected that the scheme is part of an existing strategy or plan. This could be strategies, work programmes by statutory bodies or has already been identified as a project.	Section 3
4	Does the project/scheme provide benefits?	The benefits of the scheme should be clearly set out, specifically relating to the economic, social and environmental needs of the borough and its residents.	Section 4
5	Does the project/scheme provide public benefits?	The applicant should explain the overall public benefits of the scheme and likely timescales for the benefits to occur. Schemes should provide infrastructure which is advantageous; that will relate to or affecting a population or community. The benefits should be clearly identifiable and achieved quickly, rather than taking time to materialise or does not involve a public benefit.	Section 4

6	Is there match funding for the project/scheme?	The applicant is expected to provide information about funding. Strategic CIL should not be used to fund entire projects. Schemes that rely entirely on Strategic CIL will not be considered. The applicant will need to confirm if the Town and Parish Councils in the relevant areas of the project have been approached.	Section 6
7	Have other options of funding been considered?	The applicant should explain how all funding options have been considered and explain why capital/revenue budgets have not been utilised.	Section 6
8	Has the project management been considered?	The applicant should provide information about delivering the scheme and project planning. Evidence should be provided of the start and finish dates of the project/scheme and how it will be managed.	Section 8
9	Is the project/scheme deliverable?	The applicant should provide information on delivering the scheme and within a 12-month timeframe, unless otherwise agreed. The applicant should also clarify whether planning permission is required and has been secured/sought or any other consent.	Section 2 and 8
10	Is there local support for the project?	The applicant is expected to provide information about delivering the scheme, including the existence of local support. Reference to local support applies only to applications from organisations that are not Strategic Infrastructure Providers.	Section 8
11	Have the constraints and risks as a result of the project/scheme been considered?	The applicant needs to provide information on the technical constraints of the project/scheme if applicable, potential barriers and risks involved. The applicant should identify how to resolve and overcome these aspects.	Section 9