

FOI number: **HBC_FOI_20200453**
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Department: **Planning**
Title: **Section 106 payments**
Description: **Section 106 planning agreement payments**

Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, please can you advise of all payments received under Section 106 planning agreements:

- The value of the payment
- The purpose of the payment
- The amount of the payment that has been spent
- The amount that has been committed but not spent
- The amount that has not been committed or spent
- The amount that has been repaid
- The reason for the repayment

Please provide these details for the following years:

2017-2018
2018-2019
2019-2020

Please also provide details of any unspent money that dates back to before 2017-18.

Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)

S106 FOI

The number of new s106 agreements which have been entered into by Hertsmere Borough Council and Hertfordshire County Council has declined significantly in recent years, following the introduction of CIL.

Notwithstanding the reduction in s106 agreements, new legal agreements are still signed where Affordable Housing is secured on site or through a commuted sum in lieu of on-site provision. S106 agreements are also used for applications, in the Elstree Way Corridor (for which there is no CIL charge) and contributions can still be sought for site-specific infrastructure on larger sites necessary to make a development acceptable in planning terms.

While generating a response to the information requested, please be aware that the information is based on S106 deeds signed that had financial obligations, not those that had non-financial obligations such as affordable housing or other restrictive covenants.

The response has been formulated based on the S106 deeds that were signed within the years stated (2017-2020) and the monies received within those years from these.

Details for the following years:

2017-2018 – see below.

2018-2019 – none.

2019-2020 – see below.

2017 – 2018

16/1035/FUL

- The value of the payment - £1,996,065.81
- The purpose of the payment
 - Affordable Housing Contribution of £1,886,717.66 – towards provision of off-site Affordable Housing within the administrative area of the Council
 - Elstree Way Corridor Contribution for Highways of £85,430.72 -towards Phase 2 of the highways improvement required as part of the Elstree Way Corridor Infrastructure Projects.
 - Elstree Way Corridor Contribution for Healthcare of £23,917.43–towards a new healthcare facility within the Elstree Way Corridor as part of the Elstree Way Corridor Infrastructure Projects.
- The amount of the payment that has been spent – None
- The amount that has been committed but not spent – None
- The amount that has not been committed or spent - £1,996,065.81
- The amount that has been repaid – None
- The reason for the repayment – N/A

17/0767/FUL

- The value of the payment - £10,500
- The purpose of the payment
 - Parking Mitigation Measures Contribution - as a contribution towards investigation and provision of parking management measures in the vicinity of the Development.
- The amount of the payment that has been spent – None
- The amount that has been committed but not spent – None
- The amount that has not been committed or spent - £10,500
- The amount that has been repaid – None
- The reason for the repayment – N/A

17/0899/FUL

- The value of the payment - £19,500
- The purpose of the payment
 - Highways Contribution – towards the provision of a parking scheme in Elstree Way to be used by the Council in its absolute discretion for the following purposes:
 - ❖ Parking occupancy surveys for Elstree Way
 - ❖ Inventory survey
 - ❖ scheme design and informal consultation
 - ❖ TRO advertisement
 - ❖ scheme implementation and scheme monitoring
- The amount of the payment that has been spent – None
- The amount that has been committed but not spent – None
- The amount that has not been committed or spent - £19,500
- The amount that has been repaid – None
- The reason for the repayment – N/A

17/2028/FUL

- The value of the payment - £252,739.63

- The purpose of the payment
 - Allotment Contribution of £21,537.68 - towards the cost of a locker shed at Stapleton Gardens Allotments.
 - Cemetery Contribution of £1,192.26- towards the extension at Allum Lane Cemetery, Borehamwood;
 - Greenways Contribution means the sum of £8,016.59- towards the cost of creating and promoting a continuous and connected network of sustainable transport routes through Kenilworth Park.
 - Museums Contribution of £4,182.73 -towards improvements to Elstree & Borehamwood Museum
 - Park Contribution of £150,000 - towards the cost of upgrading and maintaining play equipment on the Play Area Site.
 - Playing Fields Contribution of £2,846.05- towards improvements to playing fields in Borehamwood identified in the Council's outdoor playing pitch strategy
 - Public Leisure Facilities Contribution of £961.50 - towards public leisure facilities in Byron Avenue play area
 - Public Open Space Contribution means the sum of £59,036.31 - towards a public bowling facility in Aberford Park
- The amount of the payment that has been spent –
 - Public Open Space Contribution was spent in full on the Borehamwood Community Bowls Aberford in 2019/20.
 - Park Contribution – the contribution towards the upgrading of the play equipment at Byron Avenue Play Area has been spent (£98,080.01).
- The amount that has been committed but not spent
 - Park Contribution – the contribution towards the maintaining of the play equipment at Byron Avenue Play Area over the coming years (£51,919.99).
- The amount that has not been committed or spent -£102,739.63
- The amount that has been repaid – None
- The reason for the repayment – N/A

2019-2020

18/2148/FUL

- The value of the payment - £500,560.29
- The purpose of the payment
 - Affordable Housing Contribution - towards the procurement of affordable housing in the local area in which the Site situated.
- The amount of the payment that has been spent – None
- The amount that has been committed but not spent – None
- The amount that has not been committed or spent - £500,560.29
- The amount that has been repaid – None
- The reason for the repayment – N/A

Please also provide details of any unspent money that dates back to before 2017-18.

Currently the value held of unspent money is £10,343,550. However of this £4,826,906 is committed to projects.

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Please include the above reference number on all correspondence related to this request.

Thank you for your request.

Kind regards

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