District CIL Application Assessment and Validation Criteria

<u>Project – Beccles Lido improvement bid</u>

Reviewer: Nicola Parrish

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Validation Criteria	Notes
All the questions on the District CIL Application form must be fully completed (where information known)?	Yes
Has the correct application form been used and has it been received within timescales?	Yes – Bid outside of Bid Process as currently closed
Costs and funding streams for provision are both clear and the sums add up? VAST position known?	Yes VAT position Questioned
The description of the infrastructure, location, purpose is clear?	Yes
Are the Benefits of the infrastructure clear?	Yes – some additionality noted
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Is there housing or employment development in the area creating increased demand?	Yes – in the future
Has this development commenced/ or is it preparing to commence? Is the application premature?	Premature but delivers on Health and Well Being
Is the proposed infrastructure critical, essential or desirable within the Local Plan Infrastructure Delivery Framework?	No - but clearly supports growth.

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Is the proposed infrastructure detailed in a	N/A
Neighbourhood Plan as a priority? Are the parish council working towards a Neighbourhood Plan? What's the status? Has work been undertaken to understand infrastructure requirements?	NP in draft – Indoor Swimming facilities detailed as a priority. Town Council not currently using NCIL towards this project but have provided £2k from precept.
Where there is no neighbourhood plan has evidence been provided of a PIIP?	n/a
If the infrastructure is not detailed in the Local Plan Infrastructure Delivery Framework or in a Neighbourhood plan does it meet the criteria for "Beneficial" within the Priorities for Funding Infrastructure Projects Statement?	YES - It answers positively 2 of the 3 questions –
Has the project got Community Support – what evidence is provided of this? Is it adequate?	Yes – there is evidence of support from the local council and from local groups in terms of fundraising
Is it supported by the town or parish council (if not led by them)?	Yes – some funding has been provided by Beccles Town Council – But not Neighbourhood CIL Funding
Need /Justification? If there is existing infrastructure, do the proposals create additionality?	The improvements should enable longer opening (after dark) as the main pool will have under-water lighting. New ladders and handrails etc will meet new H & S standards. BLL to introduce extended opening hours and winter swimming
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Is the infrastructure capable of being used by the wider community?	YES – also DDA compliant
If the bid is over £50K, has a business case been submitted?	BLL plan to increase annual reserve towards maintenance and replacement costs – reference was made to a business case but this has not been received in terms of understanding depreciation and budgeting for general maintenance moving forwards.

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Quotations for works/Quantity Surveyors costings supplied – must supply at least three or evidence of tender process (e.g. NHS and SCC have official tender programmes in place so will already have a nominated contractor)	Quotes Provided and contract has already commenced
How much financial support is sought from East Suffolk and for what?	£75,000 towards project – 14.5% of total cost BUT if VAT is reclaimable this will be £86k
Collaborative spend – yes/no and if yes give details? % of the whole Project cost requested?	YES
Who is leading on delivery? Has the right applicant applied for the funding?	BLL
Delivery proposal and timescales are detailed?	YES – to be completed by May 2020
Does the bid demonstrate an urgent need?	YES – The pool could not open next year without funds and funding gap remains
If the infrastructure needs planning permission - has this been sought and obtained?	n/a
Has any State Aid already been received or offered from other government sources? – If yes and more than 200eu indexed - complete state aid assessment	Yes – but below thresholds
Consideration of future funding/maintenance once project is complete? What/How funded?	Yes – but no business case or operational plan yet received to quantify this
Assessment of view of affordability from District CIL (after consideration of critical and essential expenditure and ringfencing requirements)	Not in IDF, not a priority in the DRAFT Neighbourhood Plan and no NCIL has been allocated to the project. Infrastructure project offers additionality and is supporting an area where there is planned growth – meets Beneficial Criteria

Summary of Risks:

- District CIL is used where this is not required (e.g. due to the VAT position)
- There may be insufficient District CIL for other projects in the area, such a school or GP extensions to meet new growth coming forward. This cannot be assessed until new digital solutions enable this level of overview.
- Adequate funding may not be allocated to deliver replacement and ongoing maintenance of the whole Beccles Lido site.

Type of Project: Essential Infrastructure/Desirable Infrastructure/Beneficial Infrastructure

This project clearly supports sporting, health and wellbeing activities which mostly meets the Beneficial criteria for providing infrastructure that will support planned growth in the area.