



## EXETER GRANTS PROGRAMME

### APPENDIX 1



## Foreword

The Voluntary & Community Sector (VCS) is a key part of the city's fabric and it delivers extraordinary value for the grant funds allocated from the Council and a wide range of other sources. Their value is so much more than the services or the events our grants fund, their value is also in the social benefits brought to communities through local connectivity, social organisation, leadership and ownership demonstrated through the fantastic things that people achieve in their communities.

This new Exeter Grants Programme is an exciting and bold step forward for the Council in our endeavours to support community groups and organisations as they continue to work together on local projects that help make Exeter such a great place to live. I am delighted that the council has been able to find a way, in the face of on-going austerity from national government, to ensure that community groups have access to a sustainable grant fund to help them to take action on the things that matter most to them as they take on the opportunities and challenges of a growing city.

I would, like to thank everyone that took the time and effort to take part in our extensive listening and consultation exercises which have really helped us to gain consensus on a common set of priorities and principles. This helps us build on the approach set out in the Exeter Community Strategy and I look forward to learning more about the great things going on in our communities during my tenure as leader of the Council.



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## 1. Introduction

As one of the fastest growing cities in the country with 100% employment within a high tech, high knowledge and high wage economy in a fantastic location, we have much to celebrate. Our city brand: *Exeter Live Better, the brilliant alternative* sums this up, however we are not complacent. Not everyone has benefited from growth: small pockets of the city are among the most deprived areas in the country and in peak times, traffic congestion means Exeter is one of the slowest moving cities in the country. Ensuring that all residents benefit from our success and that congestion becomes a problem of the past are priorities for the Council set out in the 2019/2021 Corporate Plan<sup>1</sup>.

This document describes the new Exeter Grant Programme for 2019 to 2021. This programme is an exciting step forward in how the Council works with community groups and organisations to address the demands that development places on the city. It builds on the principles in the *Exeter Community Strategy* <https://exeter.gov.uk/media/4513/exeter-community-strategy-22-03-16.pdf>. This sets out shared aspirations to support Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) approaches which build on the assets in the community and mobilises individuals, associations, and institutions to come together to realise and develop their strengths.

## 2. Consultation Feedback Headlines

In April 2018, the Council commissioned a review of its grants policy and practice. This work was facilitated by Red Quadrant and their 2018 report [LINK](#) underpinned a set of proposals that were subject to a formal consultation in 2019. Red Quadrant again facilitated this consultation and their findings have informed this programme.

The main headline findings are that the extensive listening and consultation process has enabled the Council to seek views on spending priorities with regard to the Neighbourhood Portion of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)<sup>2</sup>. This is in line with CIL Regulations 2010 (Regulation 59F) and the underpinning Planning Practice Guidance (PPG Paragraph 73). This states that the Council should engage with communities where development has taken place and agree with them how best to spend the Neighbourhood Portion of the CIL. The Council may use the CIL to support the development of the relevant area (in this case the City itself) by funding the *“provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure; or anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area”*.

The second Red Quadrant Report (2019) demonstrated that there was a strong consensus on the concept of the proposed single city fund and the five priorities. Feedback from the consultation suggested that the Council should include a separate priority to improve health and wellbeing, so the new Grants Programme now has six priorities.

Feedback from the consultation demonstrated a strong consensus for the proposed approach and principles, including the proposal that the future framework enables a balance of awarding grants with contracts for more strategic service requirements. The two priority areas for service contracts were

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<sup>1</sup> The Council Corporate Plan 2018-2021 <https://exeter.gov.uk/corporateplan18/> sets out the emerging Exeter 2040 Vision and the Council's priorities.

<sup>2</sup> The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a planning charge that local authorities can require of most types of new development (based on £s per square metre) in order to pay for the infrastructure needed to support development.

strongly supported: “Information Advice and Advocacy” and “Infrastructure Support”. These services will be commissioned and mobilised during 2019.

The consultation showed a general consensus for a single city fund and a grant funding approach that maximises the value of the Council’s spending and ensures the sustainability of community groups. There was also support for the Councillor ward grants programmes to continue but to allow grants to be awarded at higher limits, which has been taken forward in the new programme.

There were concerns about the ability of everyone to benefit from the proposed use of digital platforms. These concerns will in some way be mitigated through the introduction of the new **Exeter Voluntary and Community Sector Support Service** which will be tasked with providing practical support and training. The monitoring of the mobilisation of the new programme will ensure that application processes are simple and easy to access with improved communication channels. Care will be given to monitor applications and steps will be taken to encourage and support underrepresented groups.

There were also concerns expressed about the ability of some groups and projects to be able to raise match funding. In direct response to these concerns the initial grant programme will have a mixture of approaches with not all funds requiring a match and one fund will accept volunteer hours as a cash equivalent. Care will be taken in the monitoring of uptake that this is working well.

There is very strong and positive feedback for the Council to continue with its ‘bottom up’ approach to community development. Therefore, we will continue to support ABCD through **Wellbeing Exeter** and will work with partners to ensure **Community Builders** provide hands-on support to community groups to help them to develop the skills, confidence and capabilities to access the **Exeter Grants Fund**.

There was a clear plea to the Council to clarify how arts and cultural projects will be supported in addition to the proposal to ring fence funding for the four Arts Council National Portfolio organisations in the City. The intention is that the new **Exeter Grants Fund** will support grass roots arts and cultural events that contribute to the aims and priorities of the overall programme. The Council will also continue to work with partners in **Exeter Culture** to encourage grass-roots community cultural and art activities that underpin community engagement and celebration.

Some commentators felt that the proposed maximum limit on the large grants fund of £30,000 could mean that some larger community projects may be disadvantaged. This has been taken into account with the addition of opportunity for large, strategic projects to be presented on an annual basis so that larger bespoke awards could be made should the funding be available.

Feedback on impacts and decision making and governance, with the need for transparency and openness were key themes from the consultation and the feedback has influenced the new governance and monitoring arrangements.

### 3. The Strategic Framework 2019/2021

The Exeter Grants Programme is designed to enable the Council to modernise its grant giving policy and practice to contribute to the delivery of our corporate priorities as well as to contribute to the Exeter Community Strategy vision that:

***“Exeter is a city where communities lead development, helping create a city where everyone has access to the places and services which enable them to meet their needs, and lead fulfilling lives.”***

***Exeter Community Forum (March 2015)***

There are four strands to the new strategic framework.

1. Establishment of a grant funding approach that will maximise the value of the council's spending and ensure the sustainability of community groups.
2. A balance of awarding grants with contracts for more strategic services.
3. A clear 'bottom up' approach to community development: Asset Based Community Development.
4. Good governance that recognises the specific accountability of elected members but enables the Council and community to decide on priorities together.

The ***Exeter Grants Programme*** will be underpinned by a new ***Exeter Grants Fund*** initially created from a combination of Neighbourhood Portion of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and New Homes Bonus funding<sup>3</sup>. A key focus for the fund will be addressing the demands that development places on the City. By utilising the CIL in this way we can provide a core and sustainable funding source for community groups.

Partners will be encouraged to invest in the programme and the Council will proactively seek new external strategic partners to grow and sustain the fund. The Council will work with networks such as the Exeter Community Forum; Exeter Communities Together; Exeter Youth Voice; Wellbeing Exeter and Exeter Culture to encourage groups and communities to engage in the programme, its grants and to support initiatives that address the demands that development places on the city.

The ***Exeter Grants Programme*** will support community groups and organisations to use their passion, skills, experience and knowledge to focus efforts on working sustainably to make a difference and create change by focussing on:

- Helping people to help themselves and each other
- Building on the strengths of people and communities
- Connecting people and organisations within and across communities

Intended long term impacts

- Reducing disadvantage and inequality
- Improving health and wellbeing
- Increasing individual and community resilience (the ability to manage)

Key priorities are to:

1. Address inequalities
2. Improve health and wellbeing
3. Get people active
4. Support communities working together to address local needs
5. Encourage volunteering
6. Improve where we live

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<sup>3</sup> *The New Homes Bonus is a grant paid by central government to local councils to reflect and incentivise housing growth in their areas. It is based on the amount of extra Council Tax revenue raised for new-build homes, conversions and long-term empty homes brought back into use.*

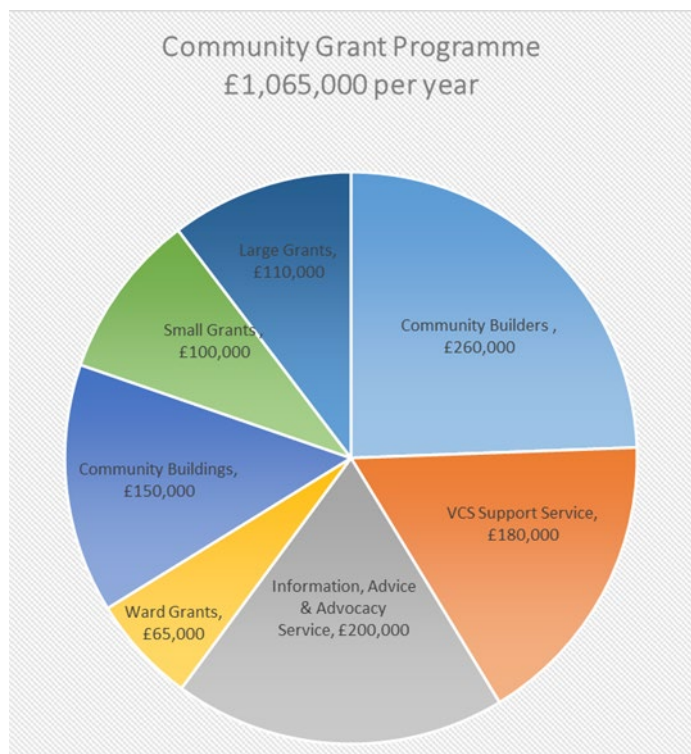
#### 4. Exeter City Fund

### Establishment of a grant funding approach that will maximise the value of the council's spending and ensure the sustainability of community groups

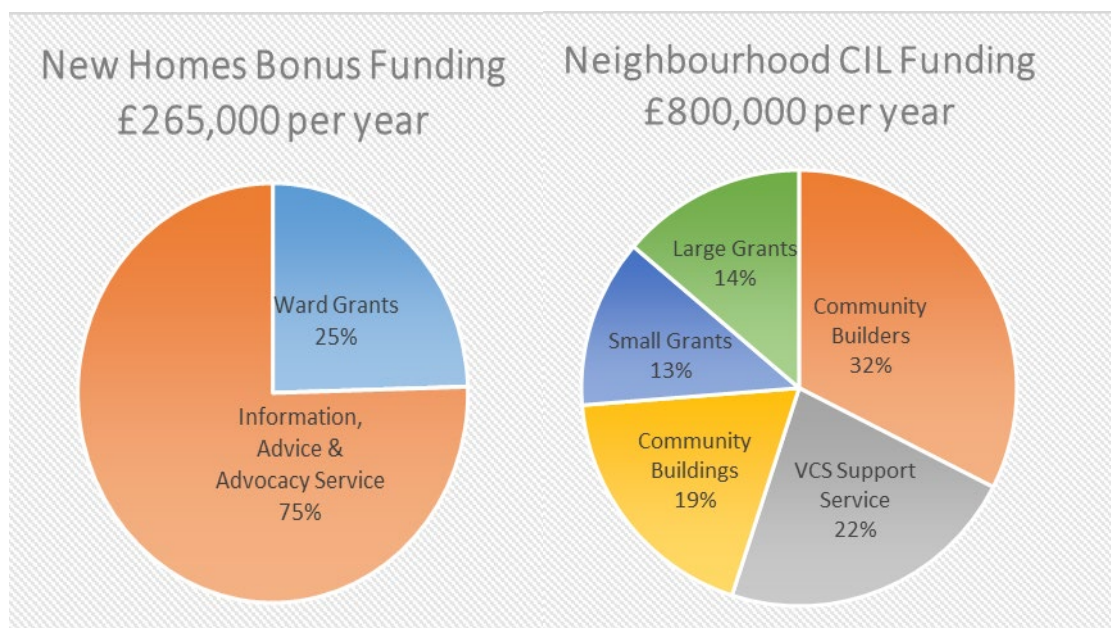
The Exeter Grant Programme and Exeter Fund will initially be funded from the New Homes Bonus Community Reserve of £265,000 per year and the Neighbourhood Proportion of the CIL (where receipts allow) of £800,000 per year, creating a total annual fund of £1,065,000.

This will be reviewed on an annual basis and any uncommitted but received funds could be allocated to a one off Strategic Grant Fund to support bespoke or larger projects. Further details can be found in appendix 1.

Where CIL funds have been used, applicants will need to demonstrate that there is community support for their project and that it satisfies the provisions of Regulation 59F of the CIL Regulations 2010. Further information can be found in appendix 2







There is an additional fund of £55,000 funded through Sport England and linked to the Delivery Pilot for 2019/2020

The Exeter Grants Fund for 2019/21 is summarised in the table below:

City Grant Fund Name	Description	Purpose	
<b>Exeter Ward Grants</b> <b>£65,000</b>  <b>Maximum grant £500</b>  <b>No match Funding</b>	<p>Each ward will have an annual Fund of £5,000 with maximum award to any group in any one year of £500.</p> <p>Councillors will give priority to first timer applicants and will positively encourage new groups to apply.</p>	<p>This fund can be used by ward councillors to support one-off community led initiatives that reflect Council priorities.</p>	<p><b>Cannot be used to pay for everyday running costs.</b></p> <p>Applicants will need to demonstrate that there is community support for their project.</p>
<b>Exeter Community Buildings Fund</b> <b>£150,000</b>  <b>Maximum grant £5,000</b>  <b>*50% match funding</b>	<p>Community Associations will be able to apply for a three year grant towards the annual running costs of their community centre up to £5,000 per year.</p> <p>Pledges will be for a maximum of 50% of the funding target.</p> <p>Pledges will only be made once 10% of the project target has been met.</p>	<p>This fund can be used to support registered Community Associations with the running costs of existing community centres.</p> <p><b>This fund is for every day running costs of community centres run by Community Associations.</b></p>	<p><b>Cannot be used for refurbishment or building costs.</b></p> <p>Applicants will need to demonstrate that there is community support for their project</p>

<p><b>Exeter Small Grants Fund £100,000</b></p> <p><b>Maximum grant £3,000</b></p> <p><b><i>*Minimum of 20% match funding</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Volunteering hours may count as the match funding</i></b></p>	<p>Voluntary and community groups will be able to apply for a grant of up to £3,000.</p> <p>Pledges will be for a maximum of 80% of the funding target.</p> <p>Pledges will only be made once 10% of the project target has been met.</p>	<p>This fund can be used to support any community led initiative to support locally identified needs that tie in with the Council priorities.</p> <p><b>This fund can be used for putting on or running an event, festival or celebration.</b></p> <p><b>This fund can be used to pay for one-off purchase or repair of equipment.</b></p>	<p><b>Cannot be used to fund every day running costs.</b></p> <p>Applicants will need to demonstrate that there is community support for their project</p>
<p>For Small Grants Fund projects that aim to encourage community participation we will consider counting the projected hours of volunteer involvement for the delivery of the project towards the funding match. We will count volunteering hours as equivalent of living wage hourly rate.</p>			
<p><b>Exeter Large Grants Fund £110,000</b></p> <p><b>Maximum grant £30,000</b></p> <p><b><i>*Minimum of 50% match funding</i></b></p>	<p>Voluntary and community groups will be able to apply for a grant of up to £30,000.</p> <p>Pledges will be for a maximum of 50% of the funding target.</p> <p>Pledges will only be made once 25% of the project target has been met.</p>	<p>This fund can be used to support any community led initiative to support locally identified needs that tie in with the Council priorities.</p> <p><b>This fund will pay towards building or refurbishment costs or the purchase of equipment.</b></p>	<p><b>Cannot be used to fund every day running costs.</b></p> <p>Applicants will need to demonstrate that there is community support for their project</p>
<p><b>Exeter Move More Small Grants £55,000</b></p> <p><b>Maximum grant £300</b></p> <p><b><i>No match funding</i></b></p>	<p>Voluntary and community groups will be able to apply for a grant of up to £300.</p> <p>Priority will be given to projects in the target geographical areas and groups.</p>	<p>This fund can be used to support community led initiatives that get inactive people taking part in physical activity.</p> <p>This fund will pay for the purchase of kit and equipment or the hire of a hall or instructor to start up a group or session.</p>	<p>Applicants will need to demonstrate that there is community support for their project.</p>

*\*The Grant Panel will consider a reduced match % for grant requests for projects within the top 20 LSOA's (i.e. the most disadvantaged communities) set out in the Physical Activity Strategy*

Following the annual review, where there are sufficient funds available in the Neighbourhood CIL, calls will be made for applications to a **Strategic Fund** which will allow members to consider the merits of large or unusual funding requests. Details of any such fund opening will be placed on the Council website and widely promoted through social media and community networks.

A simple set of rules and conditions will apply to all grants and these will be published on the Council website and based on those set out in appendix 2. All grant recipients will be expected to provide an impact report within 1 month of their project completing and a simple framework for this is set out in appendix 3. An annual report will be published setting out the impacts and learning from all projects funded by the Exeter Grant Fund.

## 5. Contracts for Services

### Enable a balance of awarding grants with contracts for more strategic service requirements.

An **Independent Information, Advice and Advocacy Service** will be commissioned to address the demands of development by increasing access to good quality information and advice service for residents. There will be a particular focus on increased digital inclusion for people whose circumstances make it difficult for them to access services and the opportunities they could benefit from. This contract will cost in the region of £200,000 per year and will initially be funded for a 3 year period from the New Homes Bonus.

The purpose of the service will be to help address the widening inequality gap for Exeter communities in terms of health, income, employment and access to services by ensuring that free, independent, confidential and impartial advice, information and advocacy is available to help people resolve the problems they face and that all residents are able to access opportunities available in the city to build a better quality of life

The service will help people to be well informed with choice and control over the advice, support and opportunities they can access in areas of health and wellbeing, housing, and financial and social inclusion. This information and advice will be available in a number of ways (e.g. phone, web, face to face) for individuals to choose the channel which best suits their needs.

An **Exeter Voluntary and Community Sector Support Service** will be commissioned to build capacity to develop a sustainable community and voluntary sector with a particular focus on supporting groups to use their skills, local knowledge and expertise to improve things for everyone in the city (individuals as well as geographic communities and communities of interest). This contract will cost in the region of £180,000 per year and will initially be funded for a 3 year period from the Neighbourhood Proportion of the CIL.

The service will provide free, independent and professional practical support to existing and new community organisations in the city and help groups develop and become self-sustaining. The service will build capacity with a particular focus on the skills, knowledge and expertise of grass roots groups & organisations to improve their communities (both geographic and communities of interest). The service will promote quality of life, health and wellbeing, improved inclusivity and community connectivity across the city

Mobilisation of these services will commence in September 2019 and both services will be commissioned through a tender process (in line with Council procurement policy) and contracts will be awarded for an initial 3 year period. Any further awards will be based on available funding and contract quality and outcomes.

## 6. Asset Based Community Development (ABCD)

### A clear 'bottom up' approach to community development

We will continue to support ABCD through Wellbeing Exeter and will work with our partners to ensure Community Builders provide hands-on support to community groups to help them to develop the skills, confidence and capabilities to access the **Exeter Grants Fund**.

We will also continue to work with partners in **Exeter Culture** and encourage grass-roots community, cultural and art activities that underpin community engagement and celebration.

## 7. Governance

### Good governance that recognises the specific accountability of elected members but enables the Council and community to decide on priorities together

A formal panel will be established to oversee the deployment of the grants and to provide strategic overview and direction for the grant programme.

The purpose of the Panel is to provide strategic direction for the Exeter Grant Programme and to ensure that grant awards are made in line with Council priorities and requirements. The Chair will be accountable for ensuring that decisions and recommendations made by the Panel are fair and transparent and that the underpinning system and processes are proportionate to the funding required but that they also recognise the accountability of elected members.

Detailed operating policy and procedures and terms of reference will be drawn-up as part of the mobilisation plan set out in Section 9. The panel membership will reflect the political make-up of the Council and will include community representatives and advisers. Initially, membership will be eight Councillors with one being the Portfolio Holder for Communities who will be the chair of the panel. Two Community Representatives will also be full voting members of the panel alongside Councillors. Advisory Members (non-voting) will be invited and are likely to include Director with responsibility for Communities, CEO, Devon Community Foundation and CEO, Exeter Voluntary and Community Sector Support Service

The community members of the panel will need to represent the range of community networks in the city taking into account the need to include those that may be disadvantaged or who may not have the confidence to participate in community networks. The **Exeter Voluntary and Community Sector Support Service** will be required to advise on and support the selection of the community representatives. The advisory members will be appointed to provide strategic advice and guidance to the panel, particularly in relation to the securing of strategic partners to invest in the fund and the impact measurement of the funded projects.



Decisions for smaller grants funds will be done via a funding sub-committee so that grants can be processed quickly and that the process is proportionate to the amount awarded. This process has worked well through a virtual committee for both Ward Grants and the Exeter Crowdfund Pilot and will apply to the following grants:

- Exeter Small Grants Fund (max £3,000 one off with 20% match) *Volunteering hours may count as the match funding*
- Exeter Ward Grants (max £500 one -off)
- Move More Small Grants (Max £300 one-off)

Decisions for larger grants will be made by the Exeter Grant Programme Panel and applicants will have the opportunity to present their applications directly to the panel. This process will apply to the following grants:

- Exeter Community Buildings Fund (max £5,000 for 3 years with 50% match)
- Exeter Large Grants Fund (max £30,000 one-off with 50% match)

Criteria for grants will be set annually and an annual report will be published setting out:

- Impacts from previous year's grants programmes
- Recommended priorities for the forthcoming year's programme.
- Proposed budgets for the forthcoming year's programme.
- Membership of Community Grants Panel for the forthcoming year.

## 8. Match Funding

Match funding unites funders and the fundraising public in a collaborative drive around a social cause or local need. Funders increasingly like the ability to offer match funding grants because the approach encourages charitable projects to utilise multiple sources of funding rather than relying on grants alone. This is important in the long term for the Exeter City Fund as we plan to attract external fundraisers to contribute to the city fund.

When a funder offers to double the amount of money raised on a project through match funding, everyone is more incentivised to drive up the amounts raised and donated and to do this more quickly to enable their chosen charities and good causes to benefit from the doubling of their grants and donations before the fund runs out.

Digital technology that brings multiple grants, donations and fundraising activities together and instantly matches the grant makers and donors that have money to give, with the charities and community groups that need money.

We have seen the evidence of this locally through the Devon and Exeter Crowd Fund pilot supported by the Exeter Strategic Board in 2018/9. For Exeter projects our £9,500 investment was amplified by 86% through the external partners and local fundraising as seen in the illustration below.

## Headlines (Exeter Council)



In recognition that the transition to the new digital and match funding approach may be more difficult for some groups than for others, not all funds will require a match. We are also introducing volunteer hours as a matchable currency and we are commissioning the new Voluntary and Community Sector Support Service to proactively help and support local groups with this type of fundraising.

All grant applications will be online through the **Exeter City Fund** website which will link directly to the **#CrowdfundExeter** website for grants requiring match/crowd funding. These are:

- Exeter Community Buildings Fund (max £5,000 for 3 years with 50% match)
- Exeter Large Grants Fund (max £30,000 one-off with 50% match)
- Exeter Small Grants Fund (max £3,000 one off with 20% match) *Volunteering hours may count as the match funding*

These funds do not require any match:

- Exeter Ward Grants (max £500 one -off)
- Move More Small Grants (Max £300 one-off)

## 9. Mobilisation Timeline

*Pending Council decision on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019*

Contracts Awarded for Commissioned Services	August 2019
Inaugural Exeter Grant Panel Terms of Reference and Operating Policy and Procedures agreed and published	September 2019
Voluntary and Community Sector Support Service for Exeter mobilised	October 2019
Exeter Grant Programme Website and City Fund Launch	November 2019
Exeter City Fund First Awards	December 2019

## Appendix 1: Financial Strategy

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### New Homes Bonus Funding will pay for:

- Ward Grants @ £65,000 per year
- Information, Advice and Advocacy Contract @ £200,000 per year.

Current position: there is a reserve of £400,000 for Community Grants available along with annual budget of £39,000 for Ward grants and £150,000 for Community Grants as set out in table1:

**Table 1: Current**

	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	2023/24 £
<b>Current Annual Budget</b>					
Ward Grants	39,000	39,000	39,000	39,000	39,000
Wider Grants	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
<b>Total Annual Budget</b>	<b>189,000</b>	<b>189,000</b>	<b>189,000</b>	<b>189,000</b>	<b>189,000</b>

**Table2; New Grants Programme**

<b>New Grants Programme</b>					
Ward Grants	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000
Information, advice & advocacy contract	200,000	200,000	200,000		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>265,000</b>	<b>265,000</b>	<b>265,000</b>	<b>65,000</b>	<b>65,000</b>

<b>Variance - Over/(Under)</b>	<b>76,000</b>	<b>76,000</b>	<b>76,000</b>	<b>(124,000)</b>	<b>(124,000)</b>
<b>New Homes Bonus Reserve</b>	<b>76,000</b>	<b>76,000</b>	<b>76,000</b>		

***New Homes Bonus reserve remaining as at 1/2/2022 = £172,000***

The contract for the Information, Advice and Advocacy Contract can only be guaranteed for the first 3 year term of the contract. However there is the potential to continue to fund for years 4 and 5 from the New Homes Bonus Reserve if it is decided to continue with the contract.

***NB there is long term uncertainty about the future of New Homes Bonus which will need to be taken into account at the annual review.***

### Neighbourhood Proportion of the CIL will pay for:

- Community Builders @ £260,000 per year
- Exeter Voluntary and Community Sector Support Service @£180,000 per year
- Community Buildings Fund of @£150,000 per year
- Small Grants Fund of @ £100,000 per year
- Large Grants Fund of @ £110,000 per year

Current position there is NH CIL fund of £1,155,720 with a commitment of £80,000 already made alongside the Community Builders commitment of £260,000 per year. The spending proposals above can only be achieved due to the large sum that has accumulated to date and annual expenditure will need to be reduced after the 5 year period unless receipts increase.

Taking a pessimistic approach the average forecast annual new Neighbourhood CIL income is around £650,000. These funds can only be committed once the receipts have been made to the Council so the actual amount in the Grant Fund will be reviewed and agreed on an annual basis and some years it will go up and in others it may go down. Providing the minimum anticipated CIL receipts are achieved, the proposals should leave a balance of £324k at the end of the 5 years.

It is vital that we continue to monitor the CIL receipts and have the flexibility to reduce or increase planned expenditure if necessary. If the pot is reduced to zero we will not be allowed to spend anything further until new income is received. With careful monitoring we should be able to forecast this well in advance.

	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Neighbourhood CIL Available</b>						
Neighbourhood CIL brought forward	1,155,720	733,928	530,482	415,268	162,052	<b>1,155,720</b>
Forecast Neighbourhood CIL Income	457,874	596,554	684,786	546,784	972,057	<b>3,258,055</b>
<b>Total Neighbourhood CIL Available</b>	<b>1,613,594</b>	<b>1,330,482</b>	<b>1,215,268</b>	<b>962,052</b>	<b>1,134,109</b>	<b>4,413,775</b>

<b>Commitments:</b>						
New Proposals	540,000	540,000	540,000	540,000	540,000	<b>2,700,000</b>
Grass Roots Grants	80,000					<b>80,000</b>
Community Builders	259,666	260,000	260,000	260,000	260,000	<b>1,299,666</b>
<b>Total Expenditure &amp; Commitments</b>	<b>879,666</b>	<b>800,000</b>	<b>800,000</b>	<b>800,000</b>	<b>800,000</b>	<b>4,079,666</b>

<b>Total Available Neighbourhood CIL Receipts</b>	<b>733,928</b>	<b>530,482</b>	<b>415,268</b>	<b>162,052</b>	<b>334,109</b>	<b>334,109</b>
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## Appendix 2: Rules and Conditions for online grant applications

### Exeter Fund Conditions

All grant applications will:

- Be made online through the Council's new *Exeter Fund* website: the application process will be easy to access.
- Only be accepted from constituted bodies with bank accounts in the name of the organisation.
- Supported by copies of appropriate policies if required for example Safeguarding Policy.
- Show that the project ties in with one or more of our priorities and how it meets the demands of development across the City.
- Show that at least 75% of people benefiting from the project live in Exeter
- Show that there is community support for the project: this can be established by asking local people to vote on-line in support of the project or to contribute to a crowdfund when there is a requirement for a grant to be joint or match funded.
- Be required to provide feedback about how the grant has helped by supplying proof of how fund monies have been spent in the form of invoices, photos and a simple project summary and impact template within 1 month of project completion.
- Acknowledge Exeter City Funds support in project publicity material by using the logo provided.
- Give Exeter City Council the right to share information you have provided in public reports and publicity material.
- In relation to the neighbourhood portion of CIL, demonstrate how the statutory provisions are satisfied (Regulation 59F of the CIL Regulations 2010) by achieving progress towards the long term impacts that will:
  - Reduce disadvantage and inequality
  - Improve health and wellbeing
  - Increase individual and community resilience (the ability to manage)

With a focus on priority activities that aim to:

1. Address inequalities
2. Improve health and wellbeing
3. Get people active
4. Support communities working together to address local needs
5. Encourage volunteering
6. Improve where we live

All grant applicants will need to confirm that they understand:

- Funds must only be spent as detailed in the project application.
- Funds cannot be allocated to individuals or private/for profit enterprises.
- Funds cannot be allocated retrospectively.
- Funds not spent must be returned to Exeter City Council.
- Repayment of the fund can be required at the sole discretion of Exeter City Fund if you supply false information or you do not spend funds within 12 months.
- Repeat funding will not be awarded unless there is a compelling business case proving transition to sustainability.

### Appendix 3: Impacts Evaluation Framework for Grant Applications

What needs to change and why: how does this change reduce the impacts of development?	Who does this affect? What issues are they/you facing? What opportunities do you see? Which of the 6 Council priorities would this change address?
What will you do to make this change?	What will you do? Who will you work with? When and at what point/how many people will you work with?
How do you know this will create the change you want?	What evidence do you have that this will work? Or what evidence makes you think this will work?
What will you look at and measure to see if your change has worked?	What 3 outcomes will you see if your change is successful? How would you measure them?
How will the outcomes of your project contribute to the Council's long term impacts?	What are the links between your outcomes and the Council's long term impacts?

Exeter Fund aims to reduce the impacts of development on the city by achieving progress towards the long term impacts that will:

- Reduce disadvantage and inequality
- Improve health and wellbeing
- Increase individual and community resilience (the ability to manage)

With a focus on priority activities that aim to:

1. Address inequalities
2. Improve health and wellbeing
3. Get people active
4. Support communities working together to address local needs
5. Encourage volunteering
6. Improve where we live





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