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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A
MEETING OF THE ROYSTON AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE**

to be held as

A VIRTUAL MEETING

On

WEDNESDAY, 1ST JULY, 2020 AT 7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

Jeanette Thompson
Service Director – Legal and Community

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Agenda **Part I**

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1. ELECTION OF A CHAIR FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2020/21 To elect a Chair of the Royston and District Committee for the Civic Year 2020/21.	
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
3. ELECTION OF A VICE-CHAIR FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2020/21 To elect a Vice-Chair for the Royston and District Committee for the Civic Year 2020/21.	
4. NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS Members should notify the Chair of other business which they wish to be discussed at the end of either Part I or Part II business set out in the agenda. They must state the circumstances which they consider justify the business being considered as a matter of urgency. The Chair will decide whether any item(s) raised will be considered.	
5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS Members are reminded that any declarations of interest in respect of any business set out in the agenda, should be declared as either a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Declarable Interest and are required to notify the Chair of the nature of any interest declared at the commencement of the relevant item on the agenda. Members declaring a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest must withdraw from the meeting for the duration of the item. Members declaring a Declarable Interest, wishing to exercise a 'Councillor Speaking Right', must declare this at the same time as the interest, move to the public area before speaking to the item and then must leave the room before the debate and vote.	
6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION To receive petitions, comments and questions from the public.	
7. S106 OBLIGATIONS ANNUAL UPDATE REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION MANAGER Annual update on S106 activity for Royston and District.	(Pages 5 - 42)
8. GRANTS & COMMUNITY UPDATE To update the Committee on the activities and actions of the Communities Officer, to advise on the current expenditure and balances of the delegated budgets and to consider applications for grant funding.	(Pages 43 - 56)

9. HIGHWAYS ISSUES

The Chair to lead a discussion regarding any issues raised, including current and proposed highways schemes.

10. WARD MATTERS AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS - MEMBERS' REPORTS

To receive any verbal reports from Members regarding Ward matters and Outside Organisations.

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**ROYSTON AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE
1 JULY 2020**

***PART 1 – PUBLIC DOCUMENT**

TITLE OF REPORT: ANNUAL UPDATE ON S106 OBLIGATIONS FOR HITCHIN COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION MANAGER

EXECUTIVE MEMBER: PLANNING AND TRANSPORT

COUNCIL PRIORITY: ATTRACTIVE AND THRIVING

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report provides Members of the Royston and District Committee with the annual update on the details of progress made on all Section 106 Obligations within the Royston and District Committee area during the financial year 2019/20.
- 1.2 The format of the information presented reflects the diminishing role of discretionary Section 106 funds, that unilateral undertakings are very rarely received and changing restrictions around the collection and distribution of funds. The information provided in the associated tables reflects this. Tables 1 and 1a set out the details of all new Section 106 Obligations entered into between developers and the Council during the financial year 2019/20 within the Royston and District area. Table 2 sets out details of all payments received from developers relating to developments and earlier agreements and identifies which projects the money has been received for, again a record of the financial year 2019/20. Table 3 sets out details of remaining funds that have yet to be allocated for the Royston and District area (see appendix 1).
- 1.3 The report also sets out the current position with respect to changing legislation, how future planning policy may reflect this and outlines progress of a revised strategy to seek wider community and ward Member involvement in identifying relevant projects at the earliest possible stage in the planning process.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That Members note the content of this report.

- 2.2 That Members agree that a report shall continue to be presented on an annual basis to the Area Committee, which sets out full records of all Section 106 activity for the preceding financial year and which reflects changes in legislation and practice.
- 2.3 That, other than where a contribution has been negotiated for a specific purpose or project, Ward Members of the area where the Section 106 Obligation or Unilateral Undertaking funding is generated and the Area Committee be consulted prior to funding being allocated away from that area. Members must note that the discretionary funds are rapidly diminishing and will not be replaced under current legislation and practice, for reasons that are set out in this report.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 To ensure that there is a robust system for negotiating and managing Section 106 Obligations and Unilateral Undertakings, that records activity for each financial year and is placed in the public domain.
- 3.2 To ensure that the process is kept under constant review and Member scrutiny and that the risk associated with this activity is managed in an appropriate manner.

4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1 It is not considered that an alternative viable option is available at this time for the Council to manage and maintain records of Section 106 agreements and Unilateral Undertakings.
- 4.2 Starting in December 2020 the Ministry for Housing Communities and Local Government will require each local authority in England to provide annual Infrastructure Funding Statements (IFS). Such statements will require a full annual audit of all S106 activity throughout the District and the information to be provided will be very similar to that which is presented to each Area Committee but will of course cover the whole District and cannot be differentiated into Area Committee records. Following the preparation and publication of the first IFS in December 2020 it will in my view be necessary to review how this information is reported to future Area Committees.

5. CONSULTATION WITH RELEVANT MEMBERS AND EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

- 5.1 This report is being presented to each Area Committee so that all Ward Members are fully aware of the progress and updated in relation this matter. No external organisations have been consulted.

6. FORWARD PLAN

- 6.1 This report does not contain a recommendation on a key decision and has not been referred to in the Forward Plan.

7. BACKGROUND

- 7.1 The Council introduced a Planning Obligations supplementary planning document (SPD) in 2006 giving a formula for developers to calculate what their Section 106 costs might be. Its introduction has led to the majority of sites within the District since 2006 contributing towards the cost of infrastructure. Unilateral undertakings are a particular type of obligation under Section 106 that are only signed by the developer, instead of bilaterally by both the Council, and the developer.
- 7.2 The main objective of the SPD was to ensure that the additional demands upon infrastructure, services and facilities from new development are provided for and are put in place at the right time to contribute to the Council's priorities and capital programme.
- 7.3 The Community Infrastructure levy (CIL) regulations came into force in April 2010. It is unlikely that the Council will adopt a Community Infrastructure Charging Schedule for the foreseeable future and certainly not for strategic sites and sites which have specific local infrastructure demands. A decision whether to adopt a CIL charging schedule will also depend on regulations at that time, bearing in mind that the government has revised CIL regulations every year since their inception in 2010 giving no consistency to how a local planning authority can plan its implementation.
- 7.4 The implementation of the changes to the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations introduced in April 2015 with regard to the pooling limits has meant that the 'tariff' system used to calculate contributions as set out in the SPD is now principally used only as a negotiating tool associated with a specific infrastructure project, otherwise it has little or no relevance. The pooling restriction was however lifted on 1 September 2019.
- 7.5 It has been agreed previously that annual reports on the status of the agreements be presented to the Area Committees so that Members are fully aware of the infrastructure projects the contributions are used towards in their particular area.

8. RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

8.1 Current legislation

- 8.1.1 The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) regulations set out three statutory tests which must be satisfied in order for planning obligations to be required. These tests are also set out within The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) which came into force on 28 March 2012 and repeated in the latest version of the NPPF (February 2019). The three statutory which all S106 Obligations must comply with are as follows:

- **Necessary to make the proposed development acceptable in planning terms;**
- **Directly related to the proposed development; and**
- **Fair and reasonably related in scale and kind to the proposed development**

- 8.1.2 The pooling limit introduced in April 2015 applied to any obligation which was completed after 6 April 2010. From 6 April 2015, in the determination of a planning application after this date the local planning authority was not allowed to request S106 funding for an 'infrastructure project' or 'types of infrastructure' if more than 5 obligations since 6 April 2010 have already been committed to that project.

A 'type of infrastructure' relates to the categories set out in the Council's SPD and is as follows:-

- community centre/halls;
- leisure facilities;
- play space;
- pitch sport;
- informal open space;
- sustainable transport; and
- waste collection facilities and recycling.

There is also provision for contributions towards public realm from non-residential development.

- 8.1.3 The Housing White Paper (February 2017) indicated that CIL was to be reviewed in Autumn 2017 in preparation for the Budget which was to include reform of S106 Obligations. This review was completed in September 2018 and one of its key recommendations was to abolish the 'pooling' restriction as it has the effect of preventing local planning authorities from considering the cumulative effect of developments on key services and infrastructure. The government had indicated that it would introduce legislation to remove the pooling restrictions which would represent a positive reform by providing more scope for Section 106 Obligations but also less incentive to adopt a CIL tariff as a result. The limitation was finally lifted by revisions to relevant regulations on 1 September 2019. The implication for this loosening of restrictions are being considered by officers and will be reflected in the forthcoming new Supplementary Planning Document relating to Planning Obligations. The draft document was presented to Cabinet in January 2020 and following a consultation exercise the final version will be presented to Cabinet in July 2020. Due to the postponement of the 2011-2031 Local Plan, the new SPD cannot be adopted until the new Local Plan is adopted, so any resolution to adopt the SPD will need to await the completion of the new Local Plan.

8.2. Implications for the collecting of infrastructure contributions

8.2.1 The pooling restrictions related to the determination of planning applications after 6 April 2015 but it did not prevent:-

- i) the pooling of the contributions from more than 5 obligations which have been completed since 6 April 2010. This means that already collected S106 money from obligations after 6 April 2010 can still be pooled more than 5 times and spent after 6 April 2015. I would also confirm that this does not affect any funds that remain from prior to 2010 which to date have either not been allocated to a specific project or the implementation and spend is beyond 2015.
- ii) payments being collected after 6th April 2015 provided the obligations were before this date and they can be allocated as at present.

8.2.2 I can confirm that since 6 April 2010 more than 5 obligations have already been agreed breaching the pooling limit on each of the categories in the SPD and from April 2015 no further obligations have been agreed using the 'tariff system' within the SPD.

8.2.3 As the agreement to contributions now relate to specific infrastructure projects it is necessary for the Local Planning Authority to be a party to any agreement so the present and future use of Unilateral Undertakings will be limited and only used in exceptional circumstances.

8.2.4 Negotiations to seek contributions in accordance with the legislation and in particular the tests continue but, as reported in previous years, there have been more challenges by developers citing amongst other matters the viability of a scheme and the specific need for the contributions.

8.2.5 Over the last few years, since the changes to the regulations Officers have progressed a limited number of agreements for major developments with the emphasis being the justification in order that the authority are not open to challenge. The agreed heads of terms for any application are set out in reports to the Planning Control Committee or delegated file notes associated with each planning application.

8.2.6 Some Members may recall that in 2017 I advised at the Area Committee meeting that the government had updated and modified the Planning Practice Guidance as of the 28th November 2014 and it stated that no contributions should be sought from developments of 10 or less units and in certain designated rural areas the Council may apply a lower threshold of 5 units or less where no affordable housing or tariffs should be sought. This restriction remains in place. This means that in the vast majority of circumstances as well as the statutory restrictions outlined above the Council can only seek financial contributions from developments of more than 10 dwellings.

8.3 Use of existing funds

- 8.3.1 The three tests set out in paragraph 8.1.1 equally apply when allocating the monies received for the defined purpose. The applicant who has entered into a Section 106 Obligation or a unilateral undertaking has a right to seek a refund if these monies are not used for the appropriate purposes identified in either the specific agreement or the adopted SPD. Moreover, most Section 106 Obligations contain a 10 year pay back clause which the Council must meet if it has been unable to spend / allocate the funds to the identified project.
- 8.3.2 The important issue in this respect is that the spending of the contributions must be to **mitigate the effect of the development** i.e. that is the only reason for seeking contributions in the first instance.
- 8.3.3 An example of this would be an increased use and pressure on any play space within the vicinity of the site which may require additional equipment. There is no restriction for drawing down contributions from both Section 106 and UUs for a specific project subject to the recent changes in legislation.
- 8.3.4 To summarise the overall strategy for the spending of this money is principally by way of the Council's adopted capital projects and strategies e.g. the Greenspace Management Strategy which provides the background and justification for projects.
- 8.3.5 For infrastructure projects in Hitchin, outside of the control of this Council, where a commitment is shown and there is a justifiable need to improve the infrastructure, a project plan is required together with an order or receipt, before the contributions would be payable. Finally, other projects have been identified and come forward through local Councillors or the Community Development Officers.

8.4 SECTION 106 ACTIVITY FOR ROYSTON AND DISTRICT 2019/20

- 8.4.1 **Table 1:** All new Section 106 Obligations entered into for Royston and District during the financial year 2019/20 and up to now:

Area	Planning ref	Site Address and development	Date of Agreement
Royston	17/04419/FP	Land South Of 1A Lower Gower Road, Royston, Hertfordshire Demolition of existing buildings to facilitate the erection of 16 residential dwellings with associated access, parking, landscaping and amenity (design amended 16/11/2018).	27.09.19
Royston	17/00110/1	Land Surrounding Burloes Cottages Newmarket Road, Royston Outline application for up to 325 dwellings including single site access	28.02.20

		and temporary construction access, with all other matters reserved including landscaping (including open space, and pedestrian links), appearance, layout and scale.	
Ashwell	16/01797/1	Land Rear Of 4-14, Claybush Road Ashwell 30 dwellings together with associated access, parking, amenity and open space. (Site layout amended by amended plans received 29/01/17 , 23/03/17 and 22/08/17). (Please note plans received on 23/03/17 are only a minor site layout alteration).	15.08.19

8.4.2 **Table 1a:** Agreed Section 106 provisions within the Obligations referenced in table 1 (NHDC services only). Please note that these funds are only paid to the Council as development commences. If development does not go ahead these funds will not be paid.

Town	Planning Ref	Date of Agreement	Amount	Details
Royston	17/04419/FP	27.09.19	£1,136(index linked)	On site waste collection and recycling facilities. To be transferred to Waste Collection and Recycling Shared Service
Royston	17/00110/1	28.02.20	£123,027(index linked)	Health Contribution towards the proposed redevelopment of Royston Hospital
Royston	17/00110/1	28.02.20	£22,000(index linked)	Management and maintenance of on site play area
Royston	17/00110/1	28.02.20	£75,000(index linked)	Play space: New play equipment at Newmarket Road play area
Royston	17/00110/1	28.02.20	£165,000(index linked)	Play and Open Space: towards upgrade of open space at Newmarket Road
Royston	17/00110/1	28.02.20	£32,906(index linked)	On site waste collection and recycling facilities. To be transferred to Waste Collection and Recycling Shared Service
Ashwell	16/01797/1	15.08.19	£75,000(index linked)	Contribution towards proposed redevelopment of Ashwell Pavillion
Ashwell	16/01797/1	15.08.19	£2,130(index linked)	On site waste collection

			linked)	and recycling facilities. To be transferred to Waste Collection and Recycling Shared Service
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8.4.3 **Table 2:** Payments received during financial year 2019/20 in relation to NHDC services following earlier Section 106 Obligations:

Town	Application details	Date of agreement	Benefits secured	Date received and amount	Payback date	details
Royston	14/02485/1 Land east of Garden Walk and north of Newmarket Road, Garden Walk, Royston Residential development and community open space with new access onto the A505 (all matters landscaping, layout, access, scale, appearance reserved)	07.12.16	Community Open Space Management Contribution This shall be applied towards the on-going management and maintenance of the Community Open Space	26.11.19 £147,208.85	26.11.29	These funds cannot be spent until the land is transferred to NHDC as per the terms of the Agreement services
	14/02485/1 Land east of Garden Walk and north of Newmarket Road, Garden	07.12.16	Community Open Space The land which shall be restored as a chalk grassland and which	27.08.19 £73,604.43	27.08.29	To be applied towards cost of carrying out initial restoration works to the

	Walk, Royston Residential development and community open space with new access onto the A505 (all matters landscaping, layout, access, scale, appearance reserved)		shall thereafter be used for the purposes of an open space for the community. The sum of £66,500 (index linked)			Community Open Space and its establishment
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8.4.4 **Table 3:** Current held funds for Royston and District area that remain to be allocated - see appendix 1.

8.4.5 From the tables set out in appendix 1 and for ease of reference I set out below a list of the remaining discretionary funds which have not been allocated under each category for the Royston and District area:

Royston:

Community Centres: £107,937.71

Health: £78,468.75

Leisure Centres: £108,913.17

Open Space: £117,696.55 (excludes Newmarket Road, Community Open Space funds listed above in table 2)

Police Contribution: £11,508.75

Sustainable Transport: £128,107.94 (The Council's Transport Policy Officer is examining the feasibility of projects which may draw on these funds)

Ashwell:

Community Centres: £6,355.79

Informal Open Space: £2,576.79

Pitch Sport Provision: £5,884.72

Play Space: £26,574.83

Sustainable Transport: £15,913.32

Barley:

Leisure Centres: £595.2
Informal Open Space: £315.81
Pitch Sport: £288.18
Play Space: £584.25
Sustainable Transport: £1,153.38

Reed:

Community Centres: £550.67

Therfield:

Community Centres: £1817.92
Informal Open Space: £1,176.53
Leisure Centres: £1,965.12
Pitch Sports: £1,073.59
Play Space: £2176,60
Sustainable Transport: £3,153.38

8.4.6 As can be seen from these tables, as a result of CIL regulation restrictions, the number of new S106 Obligations entered into in the last financial year is very low. Also the discretionary pot and available funds where some discretion is allowed as to which projects can be funded is diminishing and will not be replaced without a significant loosening of the CIL regulations. As a result of these realities and without an adopted CIL tariff the Council must look at other strategies to maximise the return of S106 funding for the benefit of our communities.

8.4.7 NEXT STEPS

8.4.8 To maximise future returns from S106 Obligations focus must turn to identifying relevant projects before the grant of planning permission and it is this area where work is on-going to improve the level of Member and community involvement

8.4.9 Officers are working with relevant Executive Members to establish a more effective ward councillor consultation process for each qualifying planning application in their areas. A balance will need to be struck between enabling Councillors to remain neutral on the outcome of the planning application (importantly not fettering their discretion if they sit on the Planning Control Committee) whilst at the same time assisting officers in identifying local projects which may benefit from S106 funds.

8.4.10 For Parished areas and areas with Town Council representation this new process will also involve greater involvement with the Parish and Town Councils, again striking a balance between allowing Parish and Town Council's to express their opinion on the merits of an planning application proposal but also seeking their input both as identifiers of potential projects and the deliverers of those projects in many instances.

- 8.4.11 For the remaining but ever diminishing discretionary funds Community Development Officers will continue to work with the Development and Conservation Manager and S106 Monitoring and Compliance Officer to distribute these funds to relevant organisations who are able to deliver key infrastructure for the benefit of the wider community.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 The Council requires Section 106 Agreements and Unilateral Undertakings where appropriate under the Town and Country Planning Acts where development involves matters which cannot be controlled by planning conditions. There are strict rules which govern the negotiation and implementation of matters covered by Section 106 Agreements and in essence these need to relate to the development proposed both in scale and kind. The Section 106 SPD has been formulated with those principles in mind and the implementation of the SPD is being undertaken in a satisfactory manner.

10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 Interest accruing on S106 receipts is pooled corporately and included in the total income arising from investments. This is the case with all of the Council's 'reserves' and investment interest is then used to contribute towards General Fund revenue expenditure. Risk arising from interest rate fluctuations is considered in the Corporate Business Planning process and is a consideration when setting the level of balances. There may be occasions where the S106 agreement requires a refund with interest in the event that prescribed works are not acted upon.
- 10.2 The financial implications of a planning permission may be agreed but if the planning permission is not implemented the monies will not be received.
- 10.3 When negotiating monies for capital schemes there may be a delay in implementing those schemes which may result in a change of cost.

11. RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 The work associated with the implementation of the requirements of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations and the Section 106 SPD is currently contained within the existing work plans and resources. A review of the document has been incorporated within the work programme for the Local Plan following the resolution of Cabinet in July 2103 not to pursue a Community Infrastructure Levy for this Council for the time being.

12 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 12.1 The Equality Act 2010 came into force on the 1st October 2010, a major piece of legislation. The Act also created a new Public Sector Equality Duty, which came into force on the 5th April 2011. There is a General duty, described in 12.2, that public bodies must meet, underpinned by more specific duties which are designed to help meet them.

12.2 In line with the Public Sector Equality Duty, public bodies must, in the exercise of its functions, give **due regard** to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

12.3 There are not considered to be any direct equality issues arising from this report.

13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS

13.1 As the recommendations made in this report do not constitute a public service contract, the measurement of 'social value' as required by the Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012 need not be applied, although equalities implications and opportunities are identified in the relevant section at paragraphs 12.

14. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

14.1 There are no known Environmental Implications associated with this report.

15 HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

15.1 There are no new human resource implications arising from the contents of this report as the monitoring of Section 106 and Unilateral Undertakings is currently undertaken using existing staff resources.

16. APPENDICES

16.1 **Appendix 1 - Table 5:** Current held funds for Royston and District

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18. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 18.1 Section 106 Supplementary Planning Document adopted November 2006 and monitoring report.

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Table 5 - S106 Obligations Live

Town: Royston

Obligation Type: Community Centres

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipien t of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Status
Royston	HCC	10/01066/1 Site C, Land off Coombelands Road, Royston Erection of 59 residential units consisting of 15 x 4 bedroom houses, 33 x 3 bedroom houses, 6 x 2 bedroom flats and 5 x 1 bedroom flats with associated access, car parking, landscaping and amenity space. Demolition of 3 houses	12/05/2011	S106	Community Centres To be applied towards improvement works to Royston Town Hall. There is no payback clause applicable to this contribution as specifically identified in S106 Agreement, Schedule 3, Point 1	10/06/2024	28,792.40	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	13/00409/1 Site A, Land South of A505 and adjacent to Yeats Close, Royston Erection of 124 residential units consisting of 35 x 4 bedroom houses, 65 x 3 bedroom houses, 6 x 2 bedroom houses; 12 x 2 bedroom flats and 6 x 1 bedroom flats with vehicular access onto Burns Road, associated internal access arrangements, car parking, landscaping and amenity space. Formation of an access for emergency vehicles from the A505. (Variation of withdrawn application 12/01036/1 - single access from Burns Road only and emergency access onto the A505)	01/05/2014	S106	Community Centre To be applied to improvement works to Royston Town Hall	Does not appear to have payback clause	79,145.31	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - S106 Obligations Live

Town: Royston

Obligation Type: Healthcare

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipient of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Status
Royston	NHDC	09/02241/1 Land at Ivy Farm, Baldock Road, Royston, SG8 9NU Outline application for development of not more than 100 residential units of mixed size and tenure comprising 2 storey buildings. New vehicular access and associated works (appearance, layout, landscaping and scale reserved	26/06/2010	S106	Healthcare Contribution	20/11/2024	£78,468.75	Live to be allocated

Table 5 -S106 Obligations Live

Town Royston

Obligation Type Leisure

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipient of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Amount allocated to project	Sum/Date Paid Out (Year End)	Balance remaining: to be allocated/ Spent	Status
Royston	NHDC	07/02405/1 3 Angel Pavement, Royston, SG8 9AS Change of use from commercial storage unit to one 1 bedroom residential unit on first	02/10/2007	UU	Leisure	N/A	£390.33			390.33	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	08/01223/1 65 Garden Walk, Royston, SG8 7JE Construction of two four-bedroom detached	27/06/2008	UU	Leisure	N/A	£1,008.34			1,008.34	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	09/02241/1 Land at Ivy Farm, Baldock Road, Royston, SG8 9NU Outline application for development of not more than 100 residential units of mixed size and tenure comprising 2 storey buildings. New vehicular access and associated works (appearance, layout, landscaping and scale reserved	26/06/2010	S106	Leisure 50% of contribution to be paid prior to commencement - sum received and spent Royston BMX Park, Burns Road Balance of £40468.68 remains to be allocated	20/11/2024	£76,468.68	£36,000.00	31/03/2013	40,468.68	Part spent - balance to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	10/00447/1 2 Angel Pavement, Royston, SG8 9AS Change of Use of first floor from Therapy and Fitness centre (Class D1) to one studio flat and one 1 bedroom flat (Class C3).	01/05/2010	UU	Leisure	N/A	£832.39			832.39	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	10/01066/1 Site C, Land off Coombelands Road, Royston Erection of 59 residential units consisting of 15 x 4 bedroom houses, 33 x 3 bedroom houses, 6 x 2 bedroom flats and 5 x 1 bedroom flats with associated access, car parking, landscaping and amenity space. Demolition of 3 houses	12/05/2011	S106	Leisure £10,000 spent - Clubhouse Facility/Store at Royston BMX Track £12,120.00 spent - provision of BMX Sprint Training Strip adjacent to main track at Burns Road BMX Track Balance of £25,509.98 remains to be allocated	10/06/2024	47,629.98	10000.00 12,120.00	31/03/2019	25,509.98	Part spent - balance to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	10/02416/1 Heath House, Princes Mews, Royston, SG8 9RT Erection of 10 three bedroom dwellings and 4 four bedroom dwellings, car parking, communal and private amenity space following demolition of existing office building and alterations to access arrangements	Not listed	UU	Leisure	N/A	£12,277.42			12,277.42	Live to be allocated

Table 5 -S106 Obligations Live

Royston	NHDC	11/00569/1 Land adj 51 Melbourn Road, Royston, SG 8 7DF Erection of four detached 4 bedroom dwellings with 4 detached double garages.	12/04/2011	UU	Leisure	N/A	£4,033.35			4,033.35	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	12/00231/1 The Coach House, 40A Kneesworth Street, Royston, SG8 5AQ Development comprising: 1. Part two storey, part first floor side and rear extension to existing dwelling	Not listed	UU	Leisure	N/A	£954.77			954.77	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	12/00651/1 Former Priory Cinema and swimming pool, Newmarket Road, Royston, SG8 7DX Residential development of 24 dwellings consisting of six 1 bedroom flats, four 2 bedroom flats, four 2 bedroom houses and ten 3 bedroom houses. New access from Priory		S106	Leisure	06/08/2023	15,141.68			15,141.68	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	12/01116/1 Car park on corner of Market Hill and Fish Hill, Royston Detached building to provide A1 retail unit at ground floor and 3 no. two bedroom flats and 1 no. 1 bedroom flat at first floor	Not listed	UU	Leisure	N/A	£2,279.61			2,279.61	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	13/00409/1 Site A, Land South of A505 and adjacent to Yeats Close, Royston Erection of 124 residential units consisting of 35 x 4 bedroom houses, 65 x 3 bedroom houses, 6 x 2 bedroom houses; 12 x 2 bedroom flats and 6 x 1 bedroom flats with vehicular access onto Burns Road, associated internal access arrangements, car parking, landscaping and amenity space. Formation of an access for emergency vehicles from the A505. (Variation of withdrawn application 12/01036/1 - single access from Burns Road only and emergency access onto the A505)	01/05/2014	S106	Leisure £60,162.38 spent extension to storage area at Royston Leisure Centre. The extra storage will enable the centre to run additional sessions and provide additional equipment for pre-school, wheelchair basketball, retired community activities and to increase current dry side sports programme. Balance of £6016.62 remains allocated to the project. Balance £65,154.70 remains available to allocate to alternative project (there is a 5 year payback clause)	17/11/2022	131,333.70	66,162.38	31/03/2020	6016.62 65,154.70	Part allocated, balance live to be allocated

Table 5 - S106 Obligations Live

Town: Royston

Obligation Type: Open Space

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipient of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Status	Comments
Royston	NHDC	10/01065/1 Site B, Land off Thackeray Close, Royston Erection of 22 residential units consisting of 18 x 3 bedroom houses, 3 x 2 bedroom houses and 1 x 4 bedroom house with associated access, car parking and landscaping	29/10/2012	S106	Open Space The owner covenants not to occupy more than 16 of the open market dwellings unless and until the open space maintenance contribution has been paid to the Council, the open space land has been laid out and maintained to the satisfaction of the Council and the freehold interest in the open space land has been transferred to the Council (see detail in Agreement). Plan 2, page 25 of S106 Agreement refers (area shaded brown)	None in agreement	£20,576.15	Live to be allocated	Invoice 1699558 refers. Land is in process of being transferred to NHDC (Estates working with Legal to achieve this). Will need to transfer these funds when land has been transferred (David Charlton, Estates, to confirm this)

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Royston	NHDC	10/01066/1 Site C, Land off Coombelands Road, Royston Erection of 59 residential units consisting of 15 x 4 bedroom houses, 33 x 3 bedroom houses, 6 x 2 bedroom flats and 5 x 1 bedroom flats with associated access, car parking, landscaping and amenity space. Demolition of 3 houses	12/05/2011	S106	<p>Open Space Owner covenants not to occupy more than 31 open market dwellings unless and until open space maintenance grant paid to Council, open space land laid out and maintained; freehold interest in open space land has been transferred to the Council (at nil cost to Council) - see Agreement for full details (Schedule Two Part 1 Open Space) NHDC legal services to progress the transfer of open space and a play area at Browning Close from Fairview New Homes to NHDC @ 26/11/2015) Open Space Maintenance To be applied to the maintenance of the Open Space Land detailed in the Agreement and shown in green on Plan 2. This land is to be transferred to NHDC - Estates are working with legal to progress this.</p>	10/06/2024	77,371.73	Live to be allocated	Once land has been transferred (Estates and Legal working to progress transfer) then these funds need to be journalled to Andrew Mills for maintenance of open space areas.
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Table 5 - S106 Obligations Live

Royston	NHDC	13/00409/1 Site A, Land South of A505 and adjacent to Yeats Close, Royston Erection of 124 residential units consisting of 35 x 4 bedroom houses, 65 x 3 bedroom houses, 6 x 2 bedroom houses; 12 x 2 bedroom flats and 6 x 1 bedroom flats with vehicular access onto Burns Road, associated internal access arrangements, car parking, landscaping and amenity space. Formation of an access for emergency vehicles from the A505. (Variation of withdrawn application 12/01036/1 - single access from Burns Road only and emergency access onto the A505)	01/05/2014	S106	Open Space The Owner covenants not to occupy more than 73 of open market dwellings until the Maintenance contribution has been paid in full (sum to be index linked), the open space land has been laid out and maintained to the satisfaction of the Council and the freehold interest in the Open Space Land has been transferred to the Council. The Transfer shall provide for the open space land which will be fully serviced by the owner, the open space land will be transferred at nil cost to the Council and free from encumbrances other than those in existence in Title No HD390828. Until the transfer of land the owner shall maintain the Open Space Land.	17/11/2022	19,748.67	Live to be allocated	
Royston	NHDC	14/02485/1 Land east of Garden Walk and north of Newmarket Road, Garden Walk, Royston Residential development and community open space with new access onto the A505 (all matters landscaping, layout, access, scale, appearance reserved)	06/12/2016	S106	Community Open Space Management Contribution This shall be applied towards the on-going management and maintenance of the Community Open Space	26/11/2029	147,208.85	Live to be allocated	Andrew Mills advised of receipt. However, these funds cannot be used until the land is transferred to NHDC as per the terms of the Agreement. This is currently outstanding @ November 2019.
Royston	NHDC	14/02485/1 Land east of Garden Walk and north of Newmarket Road, Garden Walk, Royston Residential development and community open space with new access onto the A505 (all matters landscaping, layout, access, scale, appearance reserved)	06/12/2016	S106	Community Open Space The land which shall be restored as a chalk grassland and which shall thereafter be used for the purposes of an open space for the community. The sum of £66,500 (index linked) to be applied towards cost of carrying out initial restoration works to the Community Open Space and its establishment. See Agreement for details of transfer of land requirements	26/11/2029	73,604.43	Live to be allocated	Andrew Mills advised of receipt. However, these funds cannot be used until the land is transferred to NHDC as per the terms of the Agreement. This is currently outstanding @ November 2019.

Table 5 - S106 Obligations Live

Town Royston

Obligation Type Police Contribution

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipien t of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Status
Royston	NHDC	09/02241/1 Land at Ivy Farm, Baldock Road, Royston, SG8 9NU Outline application for development of not more than 100 residential units of mixed size and tenure comprising 2 storey buildings. New vehicular access and associated works (appearance, layout, landscaping and scale reserved	26/06/2010	S106	Police Contribution	20/11/2024	£11,508.75	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - S106 Obligations Live

Town Royston

Obligation Type Sustainable Transport

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipient of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Status
Royston	NHDC	07/01189/1 Land off Jarman Way, Royston Erection of a building for the purposes of Class B1(c) use (light industrial) and Class B8 use (warehousing and manufacturing) with ancillary offices together with associated service yard, parking area and landscaping	18/05/2007	UU	Sustainable Transport £13,330.57 allocated to bus stop, Melbourne Road £10,941.08 allocated to bus stop, Icknield Way Balance £33,397.52 remains available for alternative project	N/A	57,669.17	Part allocated balance live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	07/01516/1 Art House, Lumen Road, Royston The Thatched Cottage, Lower Green, Ickleford, SG5 3TU Conversion of existing outbuildings including minor external modifications	Not Listed	UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	1,272.18	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	07/02522/1 Unit 1 Royston Business Park, Greenfield, Royston, SG8 Extension to existing industrial building including the provision of 31 additional parking spaces	13/11/2007	UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	19,439.10	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	08/01223/1 65 Garden Walk, Royston, SG8 7JE Construction of two four-bedroom detached bungalows following demolition of existing bungalow	27/06/2008	UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	£1,933.08	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	10/00894/1 Johnson Matthey Plc, Orchard Road, Royston, SG8 5HE Two single storey front extensions to provide office and laboratory workspace.	Not Listed	UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	3,762.41	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	10/01066/1 Site C, Land off Coombelands Road, Royston Erection of 59 residential units consisting of 15 x 4 bedroom houses, 33 x 3 bedroom houses, 6 x 2 bedroom flats and 5 x 1 bedroom flats with associated access, car parking, landscaping and amenity space. Demolition of 3 houses	12/05/2011	S106	Sustainable Transport	10/06/2024	41,078.01	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	10/02416/1 Heath House, Princes Mews, Royston, SG8 9RT Erection of 10 three bedroom dwellings and 4 four bedroom dwellings, car parking, communal and private amenity space following demolition of existing office building and alterations to access arrangements	Not listed	UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	£14,422.56	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - S106 Obligations Live

Royston	NHDC	11/00040/1 The Old Police Station, Priory Lane, Royston, SG8 9DU Change of use from Financial (Use Class A2) to Residential (Use Class C3). Conversion of existing buildings into one 4 bedroom house, one 1 bedroom house and two one bedroom flat. Parking for 3 vehicles		UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	1,933.08	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	12/00231/1 The Coach House, 40A Kneesworth Street, Royston, SG8 5AQ Development comprising: 1. Part two storey, part first floor side and rear extension to existing dwelling 2. Detached 4-bed dwelling 3. Detached 4-space garage block to serve existing and proposed dwellings; all following demolition of existing workshop and garage.	Not listed	UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	£1,000.00	Live to be allocated
Royston	NHDC	13/02653/1 59 High Street Royston, SG8 9AW Change of use from Office to single residential two bedroom dwelling	29/11/2013	UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	£644.36	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston Rural Live

Town: Ashwell

Obligation Type: All

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipien t of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Amount Received	Balance remaining: to be allocated/Spent	Status
Ashwell	NHDC	12/02767/1 Land adj 92 Ashwell Street, Ashwell Detached three bedroom bungalow (reserved matters for outline planning application 11/02885/1 granted 10.08.12)		UU	Community Centre	£489.96	489.96	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	10/02608/1 Land at 22 Lucas Lane, Ashwell Four bedroom detached dwelling with two attached garages to the main building and detached garage/store building. New access from Ashwell Street	17/11/2010	UU	Community Centres	£577.16	577.16	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	11/01082/1 12 Kingsland Way, Ashwell Conversion of dwelling to 2 one bedroom dwellings	24/06/2011	UU	Community Centres	£251.99	251.99	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/00812/1 35 High Street and Whitby Farm, Silver Street, Ashwell Erection of 5 dwellings comprising of 1 four bedroom detached house with detached double garage, 2 four bedroom detached houses with attached double car ports and 2 three	03/04/2012	UU	Community Centres	£2,809.51	2,809.51	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/01617/1 40 Kingsland Way, Ashwell 3 x 4-bed detached dwellings together with provision of detached double garage for plot 1 and detached car ports for plots 2, 3 and 40 Kingsland Way following demolition of existing garage/store barn; revised vehicular access from Ashwell Street.	20/12/2012	UU	Community Centres	£1,984.21	1,984.21	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/02221/1 6 Kingsland Way, Ashwell Conversion of dwelling back into two seperate dwellings.	04/01/2013	UU	Community Centres	£262.96	262.96	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston Rural Live

Ashwell	NHDC	14/00336/1 Land adjacent to Walkdens, Ashwell St Change of use of land from agricultural to residential and erection of 15 dwellings (comprising of 4 x one bedroom flats, 8 x two bedroom houses and 3 x three bedroom houses), associated access roads, parking, landscaping and ancillary works.	06/02/2015	S106	Community Centres - Spent £3840.31 windows at Ashwell Parish Church Room. Balance of £2310.03 remains to be allocated to alternative project	£6,150.34	2,310.03	Part Spent - balance to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	11/01082/1 12 Kingsland Way, Ashwell Conversion of dwelling to 2 one bedroom dwellings	24/06/2011	UU	Informal Open Space	£248.47	248.47	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/02221/1 6 Kingsland Way, Ashwell Conversion of dwelling back into two seperate dwellings.	04/01/2013	UU	Informal Open Space - Identified for enhancements at Smalls Gains to level site, provide grasscrete matting and reseed to stabilise ground as informal car park	£267.21	267.21	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/01617/1 40 Kingsland Way, Ashwell 3 x 4-bed detached dwellings together with provision of detached double garage for plot 1 and detached car ports for plots 2, 3 and 40 Kingsland Way following demolition of existing garage/store barn; revised vehicular access from Ashwell Street.	20/12/2012	UU	Informal Open Space £1375.32 spent enhancements at Smalls Gains to level site, provide grasscrete matting and reseed to stabilise ground as informal car park. Balance of £608.89 needs to be allocated to another project	£1,984.21	608.89	Part Spent - balance to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	08/02108/1 15 High Street, Ashwell Change of use from office to residential following demolition of single storey side extension. Erection of boundary wall and repositioning of gates.	22/04/2009	UU	Informal Open Space Identified for enhancements at Smalls Gains to level site, provide grasscrete matting and reseed to stabilise ground as informal car park	£543.06	543.06	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	10/02608/1 Land at 22 Lucas Lane, Ashwell Four bedroom detached dwelling with two attached garages to the main building and detached garage/store building. New access from Ashwell Street	17/11/2010	UU	Informal Open Space Identified for enhancements at Smalls Gains to level site, provide grasscrete matting and reseed to stabilise ground as informal car park	£908.72	908.72	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	10/02608/1 Land at 22 Lucas Lane, Ashwell Four bedroom detached dwelling with two attached garages to the main building and detached garage/store building. New access from Ashwell Street	17/11/2010	UU	Pitch Sports	£448.22	448.22	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	11/01082/1 12 Kingsland Way, Ashwell Conversion of dwelling to 2 one bedroom dwellings	24/06/2011	UU	Pitch Sports	£226.73	226.73	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston Rural Live

Ashwell	NHDC	12/00812/1 35 High Street and Whitby Farm, Silver Street, Ashwell Erection of 5 dwellings comprising of 1 four bedroom detached house with detached double garage, 2 four bedroom detached houses with attached double car ports and 2 three bedroom dwellings with double car port and storage, following demolition of existing farm buildings. Access road to plots 1-4 (inc) and access to plot 5 from Silver Street. Associated boundary walls and fencing. Two storey extension, first floor window in east elevation of existing house, double car port and new storage building to 35 High Street following demolition of existing rear extension and outbuildings.	03/04/2012	UU	Pitch Sports	£2,648.07	2,648.07	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/01617/1 40 Kingsland Way, Ashwell 3 x 4-bed detached dwellings together with provision of detached double garage for plot 1 and detached car ports for plots 2, 3 and 40 Kingsland Way following demolition of existing garage/store barn; revised vehicular access from Ashwell Street.	20/12/2012	UU	Pitch Sports	£1,810.59	1,810.59	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/02221/1 6 Kingsland Way, Ashwell Conversion of dwelling back into two seperate dwellings.	04/01/2013	UU	Pitch Sports	£243.83	243.83	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/02767/1 Land adj 92 Ashwell Street, Ashwell Detached three bedroom bungalow (reserved matters for outline planning application 11/02885/1 granted 10.08.12)		UU	Pitch Sports	£467.28	467.28	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	08/02108/1 15 High Street, Ashwell Change of use from office to residential following demolition of single storey side extension. Erection of boundary wall and repositioning of gates.	22/04/2009	UU	Play Space	£1,004.06	1,004.06	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	11/01082/1 12 Kingsland Way, Ashwell Conversion of dwelling to 2 one bedroom dwellings	24/06/2011	UU	Play Space	£459.68	459.68	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston Rural Live

Ashwell	NHDC	12/00812/1 35 High Street and Whitby Farm, Silver Street, Ashwell Erection of 5 dwellings comprising of 1 four bedroom detached house with detached double garage, 2 four bedroom detached houses with attached double car ports and 2 three bedroom dwellings with double car port	03/04/2012	UU	Play Space	£2,901.99	2,901.99	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/01617/1 40 Kingsland Way, Ashwell 3 x 4-bed detached dwellings together with provision of detached double garage for plot 1 and detached car ports for plots 2, 3 and 40 Kingsland Way following demolition of existing garage/store barn; revised vehicular access from Ashwell Street.	20/12/2012	UU	Play Space	£3,670.78	3,670.78	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/02079/1 61 Station Road, Ashwell - Erection of 20 dwellings consisting of 15 three bed dwellings and 5 two bed dwellings, two double garages, car parking	06/08/2013	S106	Play Space	£17,552.78	17,552.78	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/02221/1 6 Kingsland Way, Ashwell Conversion of dwelling back into two seperate dwellings.	04/01/2013	UU	Play Space	£494.34	494.34	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	10/02608/1 Land at 22 Lucas Lane, Ashwell Four bedroom detached dwelling with two attached garages to the main building and detached garage/store building. New access from Ashwell Street	17/11/2010	UU	Play Space	£491.20	491.20	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	10/02608/1 Land at 22 Lucas Lane, Ashwell Four bedroom detached dwelling with two attached garages to the main building and detached garage/store building. New access from Ashwell Street	17/11/2010	UU	Sustainable Transport	£1,500.00	1,500.00	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	11/01082/1 12 Kingsland Way, Ashwell Conversion of dwelling to 2 one bedroom dwellings	24/06/2011	UU	Sustainable Transport	£627.07	627.07	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/00812/1 35 High Street and Whitby Farm, Silver Street, Ashwell Erection of 5 dwellings comprising of 1 four bedroom detached house with detached double	03/04/2012	UU	Sustainable Transport	£7,987.00	7,987.00	Live to be allocated
Ashwell	NHDC	12/01617/1 40 Kingsland Way, Ashwell 3 x 4-bed detached dwellings together with provision of detached double garage for plot 1 and detached car ports for plots 2, 3 and 40 Kingsland Way following demolition of existing garage/store barn; revised vehicular access from Ashwell Street.	20/12/2012	UU	Sustainable Transport	£5,799.25	5,799.25	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston and Rural
Live

Town: Barley

Obligation Type: All

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipien t of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Status
Barley	NHDC	08/00016/1 Way, Church End, Barley, Royston, SG8 8JN Erection of two bedroom dwelling with detached garage	20/12/2007	UU	Leisure		595.24	Live to be allocated
Barley	NHDC	08/00016/1 Way, Church End, Barley, Royston, SG8 8JN Erection of two bedroom dwelling with detached garage	20/12/2007	UU	Informal Open Space		315.81	Live to be allocated
Barley	NHDC	08/00016/1 Way, Church End, Barley, Royston, SG8 8JN Erection of two bedroom dwelling with detached garage	20/12/2007	UU	Pitch Sports		288.18	Live to be allocated
Barley	NHDC	08/00016/1 Way, Church End, Barley, Royston, SG8 8JN Erection of two bedroom dwelling with detached garage	20/12/2007	UU	Play Space		584.25	Live to be allocated
Barley	NHDC	08/00016/1 Way, Church End, Barley, Royston, SG8 8JN Erection of two bedroom dwelling with detached garage	20/12/2007	UU	Sustainable Transport		1,153.38	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston Rural
Live

Town: Kelshall

Obligation Type: All

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipien t of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Status
Kelshall	NHDC	10/01539/1 Lower Heath Farm, Therfield Road, Odsey, Baldock, SG7 6SE Conversion of redundant barn to residential accommodation and farm office	27/09/2010	UU	Leisure		1,115.15	Live to be allocated
Kelshall	NHDC	10/01539/1 Lower Heath Farm, Therfield Road, Odsey, Baldock, SG7 6SE Conversion of redundant barn to residential accommodation and farm office	27/09/2010	UU	Informal Open Space		573.71	Live to be allocated
Kelshall	NHDC	10/01539/1 Lower Heath Farm, Therfield Road, Odsey, Baldock, SG7 6SE Conversion of redundant barn to residential accommodation and farm office	27/09/2010	UU	Pitch Sports		523.31	Live to be allocated
Kelshall	NHDC	10/01539/1 Lower Heath Farm, Therfield Road, Odsey, Baldock, SG7 6SE Conversion of redundant barn to residential accommodation and farm office	27/09/2010	UU	Play Space		1,061.37	Live to be allocated
Kelshall	NHDC	10/01539/1 Lower Heath Farm, Therfield Road, Odsey, Baldock, SG7 6SE Conversion of redundant barn to residential accommodation and farm office	27/09/2010	UU	Sustainable Transport		1,881.20	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston and Rural
Live

Town: Radwell

Obligation Type: All

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipient of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Status
Radwell	NHDC	08/02798/1 Land at The Nook Cottage, North Road, Radwell Conversion of barn to form one 3-bedroom dwelling. Associated curtilage and works	04/02/2009	UU	Community Centres	N/A	£474.04	Live to be allocated
Radwell	NHDC	08/02798/1 Land at The Nook Cottage, North Road, Radwell Conversion of barn to form one 3-bedroom dwelling. Associated curtilage and works	04/02/2009	UU	Leisure	N/A	£777.57	Live to be allocated
Radwell	NHDC	08/02798/1 Land at The Nook Cottage, North Road, Radwell Conversion of barn to form one 3-bedroom dwelling. Associated curtilage and works	04/02/2009	UU	Informal Open Space	N/A	£469.06	Live to be allocated
Radwell	NHDC	08/02798/1 Land at The Nook Cottage, North Road, Radwell Conversion of barn to form one 3-bedroom dwelling. Associated curtilage and works	04/02/2009	UU	Pitch Sports	N/A	£428.02	Live to be allocated
Radwell	NHDC	08/02798/1 Land at The Nook Cottage, North Road, Radwell Conversion of barn to form one 3-bedroom dwelling. Associated curtilage and works	04/02/2009	UU	Play Space	N/A	£867.76	Live to be allocated
Radwell	NHDC	08/02798/1 Land at The Nook Cottage, North Road, Radwell Conversion of barn to form one 3-bedroom dwelling. Associated curtilage and works	04/02/2009	UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	£1,254.14	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston and Rural
Live

Town: Reed

Obligation Type: All

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipient of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Status
Reed	NHDC	08/01254/1 Land to North of Hatch Penn, The Joint, Reed, SG8 8AZ Erection of one three bedroom Gamekeeper's cottage, associated Shoot accommodation, and new access and parking facilities with garden landscaping.	02/08/2007	UU	Community Centres		550.67	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston and Rural
Live

Town: Sandon

Obligation Type: All

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipient of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Balance remaining: to be allocated/S pent	Status
Sandon	NHDC	09/01321/1 4 Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of one 4 bedroom dwelling with two parking spaces and associated works	19/05/2009	UU	Community Centres	N/A	£613.01	613.01	Live to be allocated
Sandon	NHDC	11/01293/1 Land adj The forge, Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of two bedroom dwelling following demolition of existing outbuildings.	Not Listed	UU	Community Centres	N/A	£351.41	351.41	Live to be allocated
Sandon	NHDC	09/01321/1 4 Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of one 4 bedroom dwelling with two parking spaces and associated works	19/05/2009	UU	Informal Open Space	N/A	£605.41	605.41	Live to be allocated
Sandon	NHDC	11/01293/1 Land adj The forge, Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of two bedroom dwelling following demolition of existing outbuildings.	Not Listed	UU	Informal Open Space	N/A	£362.25	362.25	Live to be allocated
Sandon	NHDC	09/01321/1 4 Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of one 4 bedroom dwelling with two parking spaces and associated works	19/05/2009	UU	Leisure	N/A	£1,014.07	1,014.07	Live to be allocated
Sandon	NHDC	09/01321/1 4 Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of one 4 bedroom dwelling with two parking spaces and associated works	19/05/2009	UU	Pitch Sports	N/A	£552.44	552.44	Live to be allocated
Sandon	NHDC	11/01293/1 Land adj The forge, Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of two bedroom dwelling following demolition of existing outbuildings.	Not Listed	UU	Pitch Sports	N/A	£330.56	330.56	Live to be allocated
Sandon	NHDC	09/01321/1 4 Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of one 4 bedroom dwelling with two parking spaces and associated works	19/05/2009	UU	Play Space	N/A	£1,120.01	1,120.01	Live to be allocated

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Sandon	NHDC	11/01293/1 Land adj The forge, Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of two bedroom dwelling following demolition of existing outbuildings.	Not Listed	UU	Play Space	N/A	£670.17	670.17	Live to be allocated
Sandon	NHDC	09/01321/1 4 Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of one 4 bedroom dwelling with two parking spaces and associated works	19/05/2009	UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	£1,254.14	1,254.14	Live to be allocated
Sandon	NHDC	11/01293/1 Land adj The forge, Rushden Road, Sandon Erection of two bedroom dwelling following demolition of existing outbuildings.	Not Listed	UU	Sustainable Transport	N/A	£1,288.72	1,288.72	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston and Rural
Live

Town: Therfield

Occupation Type: All

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipient of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Balance remaining: to be allocated/Spent	Status
Therfield	NHDC	07/00839/1 Land Adjacent Oakwood House, Pedlars Lane, Therfield, Royston 4 bedroom detached dwelling with double garage. Alterations to existing access and ancillary works	Not Listed	UU	Community Centres		574.91	574.91	Live to be allocated
Therfield	NHDC	08/01757/1 Heatherset, Police Row, Therfield, SG8 9QE Two detached four bedroom dwellings, detached garage block, new access arrangements and associated works	19/10/2007	UU	Community Centres		613.01	613.01	Live to be allocated
Therfield	NHDC	07/00839/1 Land Adjacent Oakwood House, Pedlars Lane, Therfield, Royston 4 bedroom detached dwelling with double garage. Alterations to existing access and ancillary works	Not Listed	UU	Informal Open Space		573.71	573.71	Live to be allocated
Therfield	NHDC	08/01757/1 Heatherset, Police Row, Therfield, SG8 9QE Two detached four bedroom dwellings, detached garage block, new access arrangements and associated works	19/10/2007	UU	Informal Open Space		602.82	602.82	Live to be allocated
Therfield	NHDC	07/00839/1 Land Adjacent Oakwood House, Pedlars Lane, Therfield, Royston 4 bedroom detached dwelling with double garage. Alterations to existing access and ancillary works	Not Listed	UU	Leisure		951.05	951.05	Live to be allocated
Therfield	NHDC	08/01757/1 Heatherset, Police Row, Therfield, SG8 9QE Two detached four bedroom dwellings, detached garage block, new access arrangements and associated works	19/10/2007	UU	Leisure		1,014.07	1,014.07	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston and Rural
Live

Therfield	NHDC	07/00839/1 Land Adjacent Oakwood House, Pedlars Lane, Therfield, Royston 4 bedroom detached dwelling with double garage. Alterations to existing access and ancillary works	Not Listed	UU	Pitch Sports		523.51	523.51	Live to be allocated
Therfield	NHDC	08/01757/1 Heatherset, Police Row, Therfield, SG8 9QE Two detached four bedroom dwellings, detached garage block, new access arrangements and associated works	19/10/2007	UU	Pitch Sports		550.08	550.08	Live to be allocated
Therfield	NHDC	07/00839/1 Land Adjacent Oakwood House, Pedlars Lane, Therfield, Royston 4 bedroom detached dwelling with double garage. Alterations to existing access and ancillary works	Not Listed	UU	Play Space		1,061.37	1,061.37	Live to be allocated
Therfield	NHDC	08/01757/1 Heatherset, Police Row, Therfield, SG8 9QE Two detached four bedroom dwellings, detached garage block, new access arrangements and associated works	19/10/2007	UU	Play Space		1,115.23	1,115.23	Live to be allocated
Therfield	NHDC	07/00839/1 Land Adjacent Oakwood House, Pedlars Lane, Therfield, Royston 4 bedroom detached dwelling with double garage. Alterations to existing access and ancillary works	Not Listed	UU	Sustainable Transport		1,881.20	1,881.20	Live to be allocated
Therfield	NHDC	08/01757/1 Heatherset, Police Row, Therfield, SG8 9QE Two detached four bedroom dwellings, detached garage block, new access arrangements and associated works	19/10/2007	UU	Sustainable Transport		1,272.18	1,272.18	Live to be allocated

Table 5 - Royston and Rural
Live

Town: Weston

Obligation Type: All

TOWN/ AREA	NHDC/ HCC/ Parish recipient of funds	Details of Related Application - inc ref. No. proposal/address	Date of Agreement	Agreement Type	Benefits Secured	Repayment Date (if part or whole of sum not spent)	Amount Received	Balance remaining: to be allocated/Spent	Status
Weston	NHDC	07/00530/1 Garthlands, Weston Change of use of residential annexe to self contained dwelling. New access driveway	26/02/2007	UU	Community Centres	N/A	£511.92	511.92	Live to be allocated
Weston	NHDC	07/00530/1 Garthlands, Weston Change of use of residential annexe to self contained dwelling. New access driveway	26/02/2007	UU	Informal Open Space	N/A	£424.99	424.99	Live to be allocated
Weston	NHDC	07/00530/1 Garthlands, Weston Change of use of residential annexe to self contained dwelling. New access driveway	26/02/2007	UU	Play Space	N/A	£786.23	786.23	Live to be allocated
Weston	NHDC	07/00530/1 Garthlands, Weston Change of use of residential annexe to self contained dwelling. New access driveway	26/02/2007	UU	Sustainable Transport - residential	N/A	£1,100.90	1,100.90	Live to be allocated

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**ROYSTON AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE
1 JULY 2020**

***PART 1 – PUBLIC DOCUMENT**

TITLE OF REPORT: GRANTS & COMMUNITY UPDATE

REPORT OF THE POLICY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

EXECUTIVE MEMBER: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

COUNCIL OBJECTIVES: BE A MORE WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE COUNCIL / BUILD THRIVING AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES / RESPOND TO CHALLENGES TO THE ENVIRONMENT / ENABLE AN ENTERPRISING AND CO-OPERATIVE ECONOMY

1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 To advise the Committee on the current expenditure and balances of the Committee Grant budgets
- 1.2 To bring to the Committee's attention details of recent requests received for Committee grant funding, made by community groups and local organisations
- 1.3 To advise the Committee of the activities and schemes with which the Community Engagement officer has been involved in.
- 1.4 To bring to the Committee's attention some important community-based activities that will take place during the next few months.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Committee be recommended to consider allocating funding from their discretionary community budget towards the project below.
- 2.2 **£1300** to North Herts Emotional Support in Schools Service (NESSIE) to assist with the costs for running on-line and telephone support service as outlined in 8.1.1.
- 2.3 That the Committee considers and agrees on the future provision of Councillor Surgeries as detailed in 8.2.1

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| 2.4 | That the Committee notes the award of £450 via Delegated Authority to Royston Round Table to assist the Royston Vs Coronavirus Support Group. |
| 2.5 | That the Committee be recommended to endorse the actions taken by the Community Engagement Officer to promote greater community capacity and well-being for Royston. |

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 To ensure the Committee is kept informed of the work of the Community Engagement Officer.
- 3.2 This report is intended to inform Members of the financial resources available to the Committee. It draws attention to the current budgetary situation by assisting in the effective financial management of the Area Committee's budget. This ensures that all actions are performed in line with the Authority's Financial Regulations, the Council's Constitution, and the guidance of the existing Grants policy as agreed by Cabinet in January 2020.
- 3.3 The awarding of financial assistance to voluntary organisations and the use of discretionary spending allows the Committee to further the aims of the Council Plan.
- 3.4 During the Coronavirus Pandemic, whilst it has not been possible to carry out the usual face to face surgeries, Members have been successfully engaging with residents via on-line zoom surgeries. Members are asked to comment and agree on the type of Community Engagement they wish to pursue moving forward and the frequency of these sessions.
- 3.5 To support the Royston Vs Coronavirus Support Group, the Royston & District Committee agreed to award £450 to assist with costs for DBS checks for volunteers, publicity costs and the purchase of essential Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). This funding was required at the start of the Covid-19 Pandemic, which fell outside of the Committee cycle, so it was necessary to process the funding application via Delegated Authority. Funds were released to the Royston Round Table as the Royston Vs Coronavirus Support Group did not have its own Bank Account. £400 was allocated from the Royston & District Committee's 2019/20 carry forward and £50 from its 2020/21 base budget.

4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1. There are no alternative options being proposed other than those detailed within the text of this report. However, in the course of debate at committee, Members may wish to comment and offer additional views on any of the items included within this report.

5. CONSULTATION WITH RELEVANT MEMBERS AND EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

- 5.1 Consultation with Members has occurred in connection with the allocation of funds for Community Projects
- 5.2 Consultation with the respective officers and external bodies/groups has taken place regarding funding proposals for Committee Funds.

6. FORWARD PLAN

- 6.1 This report does not contain a recommendation on a key Executive decision and has therefore not been referred to in the Forward Plan.

7. BACKGROUND

- 7.1 With reference to the Council's Constitution, Section 9.3 Area Committees will include budgets for the purpose of providing grants and discretionary budgets that may be used within the area of the Committee for economic, social and environmental well-being. Under the current grant criteria there is no upper limit outlined for the amount of grant funding to be allocated which can be decided at the Committee's discretion.
- 7.2 Members are asked to note the information detailed in Appendix 1. Royston Area Committee Budget Spread sheet, which relates to the Area Committee budget balances for 2020/21. The spreadsheet also details pre-allocated sums carried forward from the previous financial year, including balances and past expenditure.
- 7.3 Funding available for the Committee to allocate during 2020/21 is summarised below:

	2019/20 Carry Forward	2020/21 Base Budget	Total Budget Remaining
Royston	£0*	£6,000*	£5,950

(See 3.5 above with reference to allocation of funding to Royston Round Table from the 2019/20 carry forward and the 2020/21 base budget)

8. RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

8.1 Grant Applications

8.1.1

Applicant Project	North Herts Emotional Support in Schools Service
	Funding support to assist with costs associated with providing on-line and telephone counselling service
Sum requested	£1,300
Total project cost	£2,000
Match funding	£700 own funds

Previous support	Yes, £900 in 2016 to assist with costs for running a series of Self-harm forums.
NHDC Policy met	Yes
Council objective:	Build thriving and resilient communities

North Herts Emotional Support in Schools Service (NESSIE) is seeking funding support from the Royston & District Committee to assist with costs for running on-line and telephone counselling support services. This work is targeting specific families where they are going to struggle to get their children back to education more specifically because of being 'hard to reach' having experienced Trauma or that their child has neurodiversity. The other counselling organisations don't tend to work with this group but it is a specialist area of Nessie's. NESSIE work with children and families where there is no other pathway for support and the families are often at risk of breakdown or missing education. Schools have already identified families that they wish NESSIE to support.

NESSIE, is a community interest company that was set up in 2015. The company is made up of 2 Volunteer Committee Members, 9 full time paid staff and 11 part time paid staff. NESSIE provides a service that is not delivered by other counselling organisations.

The group are requesting £1,300. Under the current grant criteria members are at liberty to award any amount they wish up to the available budget as outlined in Appendix 1.

8.2 Community Engagement Updates

8.2.1 Future Councillor Surgery Provision in Royston

The last face to face Councillor Surgery was held on Saturday 14th March on Angel Pavement. Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic the Councillor Surgery planned for July has been cancelled.

During the Pandemic, weekly on-line zoom Community Surgeries have been run in Royston and these are set to continue until the end of July. On-line surgeries have proved popular and have been used in other towns within North Herts. Part of the success of the on-line surgeries is that they have successfully engaged with residents of different demographics to the standard face to face surgeries. For example a higher number of youngest residents have engaged in the on-line zoom surgeries.

The face to face Councillor Surgeries are currently held on an 8/9 weekly cycle in Royston, compared to monthly in Letchworth and Hitchin. Baldock does not currently operate Councillor Surgeries. The frequency of surgeries in Royston has been unchanged for the last 4-5 years.

Moving forward it has been suggested that a marriage of face to face and on-line surgeries could be utilised in Royston. It has also been suggested to the Royston CEO that the face to face surgeries should be held more frequently and on a monthly basis.

Below are several options for Members to consider and agree moving forward:

1. Continue with on-line (Member hosted) zoom surgeries on a weekly basis during the Pandemic and then revert to the face to face Councillor Surgeries when social distancing rules have been removed and continue these on the current 8/9 weekly cycle.
2. Continue with on-line (Member hosted) zoom surgeries on a weekly basis during the Pandemic and then to revert to the face to face Councillor Surgeries on the current 8/9 weekly cycle but to compliment this with a member lead on-line zoom surgery once a month.
3. Continue with on-line (Member hosted) zoom surgeries on a weekly basis during the Pandemic and then revert to face to face Councillor Surgeries but on a monthly basis.
4. Continue with on-line (Member hosted) zoom surgeries on a weekly basis during the Pandemic and then revert to face to face Councillor Surgeries on a monthly basis and compliment this with a member lead on-line zoom surgery once a month.

The Royston CEO with assistance from colleagues in the Community Engagement Team would continue to co-ordinate the face to face Councillor Surgeries but the on-line zoom surgeries would be managed and co-ordinated by Members.

8.2.2 Coronavirus Pandemic

Impact on Events

As a result of the Coronavirus Pandemic, Royston Town Council was unable to hold the annual Royston May Fayre which was scheduled for Friday 8th May 2020. As well as being a key community event in the Royston Calendar, this event is used as an income generator for local charities /groups.

The Pandemic has also led to the cancellation of Royston in Blue in June and the annual Royston Kite Festival held in August. Both of these events help to raise awareness and essential funding for good causes as well as driving footfall for the local business of the town and will be sorely missed.

Street Food Heroes which is held monthly at Priory Memorial Gardens in Royston during the summer months is also being affected by the Pandemic. The June event has already been cancelled and July and August will only be possible if Central Government alter the current restrictions on social distancing and mass gatherings.

The Royston Community Engagement Officer (CEO) is liaising with the organiser of Street Food Heroes to see if the event could run more like a standard market without music and alcohol sales. The issue of social distancing will still need to be carefully investigated.

The Royston CEO is also investigating the possibility of holding Street Food Heroes at Coombes Community Centre during 2020 instead of Priory Memorial Gardens.

Impact on Community Buildings

The Coronavirus Pandemic has forced the temporary closure of the town's main community hub namely the Coombes Community Centre.

The Royston CEO has supported this venue by signposting them to grants available. The venue received £10k from the NHDC Business Grant. The Royston CEO is also currently investigating whether or not the Royston Day Centre is eligible for the NHDC Business Grant funding.

The Royston CEO has assisted the Coombes Community Centre Manager with checks on the building during the period of closure. This has included running the taps throughout the building on a weekly basis to reduce the risk of Legionnaires disease.

The Royston CEO is assisting the Coombes Community Centre with Phase 3 works at the building as part of their full repairing lease arrangement with NHDC and will release funds on completion of works. The Sports Hall Flooring is now complete, and the final elements of the phased works are due to be completed by mid-July 2020. As part of the flooring works, a lean/to structure was erected at the side of the building where the old ramp was positioned. The ramped area was often used as a meeting point for young people and was subject to graffiti and littering. A substantial amount of the wall enclosing the ramp was also damaged by young people climbing on it. The lean/to structure will eradicate these issues, will add to the security of the building and provide an additional storage area for the centre.

Support Groups in response to Coronavirus.

The Royston CEO has been supporting the numerous support groups that have been set up in response to the Pandemic. The Royston CEO keeps in regular contact with the Royston, Reed, Barley and Barkway support groups and has provided support with the distribution of publicity material and signposting of key information via social media.

The Royston CEO signed up as a volunteer driver for Royston Community Transport at the start of the Coronavirus Pandemic and delivers food and essential supplies to several residents on a weekly basis.

The Royston CEO has been assisting Royston Food Bank with adhoc food deliveries to vulnerable residents and has also produced a flyer to promote the Food Bank on social media.

The Royston CEO has also assisted with Operation Shield, contacting those identified in the county as most vulnerable and providing advice over the phone.

8.2.3 Community Facilities Capital Projects Fund

Following the meeting of the Community Facilities Capital Projects Panel in March, the Royston CEO has been liaising with representatives Royston Royal British Legion to obtain answers to queries raised. The Panel is now satisfied with the application and funding will be released in the coming weeks.

8.2.4 Bus Shelters

The project to install two new bus shelters in the town has been delayed due to the Covid -19 Pandemic. Funding for the bus shelters at Icknield Walk and Melbourn Road has been allocated from S106 Sustainable Transport Funds.

Royston Town Council raised the order for the works with the contractor in January 2020. Works were subject to a 12-16 week lead in time and a further 2 weeks to programme in the installation. The officer who has been leading the project from Clear Channel is currently furloughed until the end of June, so it is not yet clear when the works will be completed.

Once installed the maintenance of the shelters will be the responsibility of Hertfordshire County Council.

8.2.5 Bicycle Racks

This project has also stalled due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. It was envisaged that works would be completed by July 2020 but this is no longer viable.

The Royston CEO continues to liaise with Royston Town Council on this project and is awaiting quotes for the supply and installation of bicycle racks at Market Hill and the Heath Sports and Social Club.

Funding for the bicycle racks has been provisionally allocated from the S106 Sustainable Transport fund and will be released to Royston Town Council once a contractor for the works has been appointed.

Royston Town Council will be responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the bicycle racks.

8.2.6 Working with Youth Connexions

The Royston CEO has been liaising with colleagues from Youth Connexions who are running on-line sessions with young people in Royston. It is hoped that Youth Connexions can aid in the set up of the Royston Youth Council and that representatives from this group can also sit on the North Herts Youth Council.

8.2.7 Developer Contributions / s106 & other Capital Funding projects

- The Royston CEO has worked with external groups and colleagues in the Planning Department in the potential utilisation developer contributions and other sources of capital funding available. Under s106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as amended, contributions/obligations can be sought from developers towards the costs of providing community and social infrastructure, the need for which has arisen as a result of a new development taking place. This funding is commonly known as 'Section 106'.

Projects Completed:

- Fencing project at side of Coombes Community Centre to address anti-social behaviour
- Fencing project at Royston BMX to address anti-social behaviour

Projects in process:

- Enhancement of sporting facilities at Royston Heath with the Conservators.
- The possibility of seeking a new venue for Royston Scouts currently based at Roysia School.
- Enhanced provision of Bus Shelters at potential sites within the town
- Provision of cycle racks around Royston Town Centre.
- Youth / Spectator Shelter to address anti-social behaviour around Coombes Area
- Resurfacing and lighting project on Public Right of Way Land linking Ivy Farm with Green Drift.
- A505 Cycle Path project
- Access and Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) improvements to Royston Town Hall
- All weather Hockey pitch for Royston
- Barkway PC re the installation & disabled access to the Recreation Ground & Pavilion

If members have any projects in mind which may potentially benefit from utilising capital funds derived via the Planning process please contact the Community Engagement Officer to investigate further possibilities.

The Community Engagement Team is also collating a database of future requirements in terms of community need across the District in preparation & response to potential developments arising from the Local Plan.

Such perceived need will be communicated to planning officers to assist when negotiating any new planning obligation with prospective developers. Similarly, if Members have any suggestions of suitable projects or possible future requirements within their wards please inform the Community Engagement Officer.

8.3 Highways Matters

- 8.3.1 This section is included within the community update report for each committee cycle to facilitate debate and enable appropriate feedback on any of the proposed or listed Highways related schemes.
- 8.3.2 Any new proposals or revised schemes will be forwarded to the respective Herts County Councillor for consideration who will in turn report back and advise the Committee accordingly.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 The Area Committees have delegated power under section 9.8.1 (a) & (b) to allocate discretionary budgets and devolved budgets within the terms determined by the Council and outlined in the current Grant Policy agreed by Cabinet in December 2019. Section 9.8.2 (h) of the Constitution in respect of Area Committees' Terms of Reference provides that they may: "establish and maintain relationships with outside bodies/voluntary organisations operating specifically with the area including, where appropriate, the provision of discretionary grant aid/financial support etc. but excluding grants for district-wide activities".
- 9.2 Chapter 1, s1-8 of the Localism Act 2011 provides a General Power of Competence which gives local authorities the powers to do anything provided that it is not specifically prohibited in legislation.
- 9.3 Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides specific authority for the Council to incur expenditure on anything which is in the interests of and will bring direct benefit to its area. This includes a charity or other body operating for public service.

10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 As outlined in Appendix 1 Committee budget 2020/21.
- 10.2 The agreed base budget for this financial year is £6,000. This has been maintained at the same level as 19/20, following full council's agreement to reverse the planned efficiencies. £50 of this as well as £400 from the 2019/20 carry forward budget has already been allocated to Royston Round Table for the Royston Vs Coronavirus Support Group Funding left to allocate is £5,950.

11. RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 There are no relevant risk entries that have been recorded on Pentana Risk, the Council's performance and risk system. Individual events should have their own risk assessments in place to mitigate any health and safety issues. Whenever a request for grant funding for equipment is received, the recipient of the funding will be advised to obtain insurance for the item to avoid a repeat request for funding in the event of the equipment being stolen or damaged. There are no pertinent risk implications for the Authority associated with any items within this report.

12. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 12.1. In line with the Public Sector Equality Duty, public bodies must, in the exercise of their functions, give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- 12.2. Area committee funding is awarded to community groups that clearly demonstrate positive impact on the community and wider environment. The projects outlined in this report seek to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations. For example, children and disadvantaged families in particular will be the targeted beneficiaries of opportunity as per the application outlined in 8.1.1.

13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS

- 13.1. The Social Value Act and "go local" requirements do not apply to this report.

14. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 14.1. There are no known Environmental impacts or requirements that apply to this report.

15. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 15.1 There are no pertinent Human Resource implications associated with any items within this report.

16. APPENDICES

- 16.1 Appendix 1 - 2020/21 financial year budget sheet.

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18. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 18.1 Review of Policies and Procedures for Financial Assistance to Voluntary and Community Organisations, November 2002.
- 18.2 Review of Grant Policy Cabinet January 2020.

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ROYSTON AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET 2020/21

SUMMARY/ TOTALS	Funding	Allocated	Spent	Outstanding	Unallocated Budget					
CARRY FORWARD BUDGET 2019/20	£2,900	£2,900	£2,900	£0	£0					
DEVELOPMENT BUDGET 2020/21	£6,000	£50	£50	£0	£5,950					
Total	£8,900	£2,950	£2,950	£0	£5,950					

DEVELOPMENT BUDGETS

	Funding		Project	Allocated	Date	Spent	Outstanding	Unallocated Amount	Comments
CARRY FORWARD BUDGET 2019/20	£2,900		Royston Free After 3pm Initiatvie	£1,500	26/05/2020	£1,500	£0		
			Reed Cricket Club	£1,000	08/04/2020	£1,000	£0		
			Royston & District Round Table	£400	11/05/2020	£400	£0		Total grant £450
Total	£2,900			£2,900		£2,900	£0	£0	

DEVELOPMENT BUDGETS

	Funding		Project	Allocated	Date	Spent	Outstanding	Unallocated Amount	Comments
BASE BUDGET 2020/21	£6,000						£0		
			Royston & District Round Table	£50	11/05/2020	£50	£0		Total grant £450
							£0		
							£0		
							£0		
Total	£6,000			£50		£50	£0	£5,950	

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