

 Brent	Cabinet 19 July 2021
	Report from the Assistant Chief Executive
Brent Neighbourhood Community Infrastructure Levy (NCIL) Projects	

Wards Affected:	All
Key or Non-Key Decision: (only applicable for Cabinet, Cabinet Sub Committee and officer decisions)	Key
Open or Part/Fully Exempt: (If exempt, please highlight relevant paragraph of Part 1, Schedule 12A of 1972 Local Government Act)	Open
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Background Papers:	None
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1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a charge applied to eligible developments to help fund strategic (borough-wide) and neighbourhood infrastructure related to development. Brent's CIL was formally introduced on 1 July 2013.
- 1.2 The NCIL programme was introduced in 2017 following a Brent wide consultation on the neighbourhood priorities. To date, 229 NCIL projects have been approved, to a value of £14M. Please see more detail in Section 3.
- 1.3 The NCIL scheme is a key driver of positive change in the borough within the context of the Brent Borough Plan, 2019-2023. NCIL projects cut across the five overarching themes of the Borough Plan: Every opportunity to succeed; A future built for everyone, an economy fit for all; A cleaner, more considerate Brent; A borough where we can all feel safe, secure, happy and healthy; Strong foundations.
- 1.4 The Theme of Round two 2021 was 'Recovery'. The Borough plan's vision is 'To make Brent a borough of culture, empathy and shared prosperity'. Tackling poverty, inequality and the climate emergency are vital to success in addressing the five priority areas. Specific examples include Education and employment training and support for young people, specifically Black Caribbean boys, Looked after children and care leavers; Improved air quality

and parks and open spaces and improving the health of Brent residents reducing health inequalities.

- 1.5 The NCIL Grants programme is delivered with support to local communities. A capacity-building programme to assist potential applicants from a wide range of backgrounds: including local residents, constituted groups, and registered organisations is made available before the Grant round opens. For this round, the main method of engagement was the delivery of online group workshops that residents could book onto via Eventbrite. 16 workshops were held whilst the funding window was open which covered the key areas that must be addressed through the application form. Workshops explained NCIL eligibility, assessment criteria, and application process.
- 1.6 These workshops provide applicants with opportunities to ask questions, and better understand requirements of a successful NCIL application. Interested parties can also ask specific follow-up questions by emailing the NCIL mailbox, as well as organise formal one-to-one sessions with officers to discuss their application. Initial analysis shows that those who accessed Brent's capacity building programme were statistically more likely to write a successful NCIL application.

In addition to the workshops, officers are available to deliver presentations to other voluntary and community sector networks with wider access to groups who are suitable to apply for NCIL funding. Emerging Communities Network to reach communities who may not usually apply for funding and Brent CVS to ensure they can share information about the Grant to the many local organisations who are members of CVS Brent.

Potential applicants are provided with detailed guidance notes that set out the key NCIL assessment criteria and funding expectations. This guidance is listed on Brent's NCIL webpage and was updated before the funding window opened.

To encourage applications NCIL is actively promoted through Brent's community directory, and by reaching out to those who previously expressed interest in applying for NCIL. A communications approach was delivered to ensure awareness was raised across the borough. The website was updated and the grant was promoted through press release and social media channels. Every unsuccessful applicant receives direct feedback on where they failed to meet the criteria and are signposted towards alternative funding including: Open4community Grants Search Portal, CVS Brent and Young Brent Foundation. Brent Council also offers further support in the form of a one-to-one feedback sessions in order to reapply to NCIL (if applicable).

- 1.7 We received 70 applications to the value of £5.3M. The key reasons for projects not being awarded include not meeting the CIL regulations, no or minimal community support behind the project, not addressing the impacts of development in the area and not offering value for money.
- 1.8 All projects are initially long listed by the Grants team based on whether projects meet the CIL regulations, there is demonstrable community support and the project is a 'one off' scheme. The longlisted projects are then

shortlisted by the panel and receive comments from the two relevant cabinet portfolio holders. These projects are then finalised by the Assistant Chief Executive to either be forwarded for cabinet approval or agreed if less than £100,000, subject to a funding agreement being signed.

1.9 This report requests that Cabinet approves the allocation of Neighbourhood CIL (NCIL) funds for 4 community projects over 100K from round two of the 2020/21 NCIL programme.

1.10 Subject to approval, the next round of NCIL will be £2 million. We are currently looking at possible options to deliver the grant with strong community involvement. Options may include the use of participatory budgeting, subject to lessons learned from the planned participatory budgeting for the Carbon Offset funding.

2. Recommendations

2.1 To approve the NCIL allocation of:

- **£194,988** for Jason Roberts Foundation - Connect Brent Project: to undertake much needed upgrading works at The Pavilion, the community centre where the charity is based. The project will make the centre an all-weather facility that can be used by residents and community groups all year-round, by erecting a steel canopy over the multi-games area and 5-a-side pitch.
- **£100,000** for Brent Music Service in partnership with local Harlesden schools and community groups – Brent Music Service Harlesden Music Centre Project: Providing local, easily accessible venues to address the barriers preventing CYP participation in out-of-school music activity. Weekly centres will be available for children in Harlesden schools and will become progressively more visible in the community as the project progresses.
- **£124,700 for** Queen's Park Area Residents' Association (QPARA) in partnership with Brent Council – Keslake Pocket Park Improvements Project: The project will remodel Keslake Pocket Park to make it safer and design out anti-social behaviour, crime, loitering and littering by providing a layout and street components that create a well-lit, safe, and open space. There will be increased visibility both into and across the space and the new design will provide a pleasing visual amenity, as well as a small square area for the local community.
- **£100,000** for Alperton residents in partnership with Brent Council - Creating an Open Space for the Whole Community Project: The proposal by the residents is to enhance the quality of Alperton Sports Ground and address concerns raised by residents around the lack of outdoor and play facilities, anti-social behaviour, security and safety concerns as a result of development.

2.2 The NCIL applications less than £100,000 approved by the Panel are summarised in Section 8.3.

2.3 Following cabinet approval of these projects, the final stage will be:
The Grants Manager will give further scrutiny on ensuring a deliverable measurable outcome analysis is completed in conjunction with the delivery agency. This will form part of a signed legally binding funding agreement that is regularly monitored. If the outcomes are not in line with Brent Council priorities and not agreed, the funding offer may be withdrawn.

3. Neighbourhood CIL – Background

3.1 Brent's NCIL Programme has been a great success since its launch in 2017. Community groups, residents and stakeholders have been encouraged and supported to submit bids and, to date, over £14m of NCIL funds have been allocated to community infrastructure projects.

3.2 The CIL Regulations 2010 stipulate that at least 15 per cent of CIL receipts generated may be spent on neighbourhood projects, that is, infrastructure or anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area (capped at £100/dwelling each financial year).

3.3 Whilst the legislation does not prescribe a process for how NCIL is allocated, the expectation is that priorities are decided following engagement and consultation with the local community. As a result, Brent is divided into five CIL Neighbourhoods; Kilburn & Kensal, Kingsbury & Kenton, Wembley, Willesden and Harlesden.

3.4 Where a Neighbourhood Plan is in place, then up to 25 per cent of CIL collected from liable developments within the Neighbourhood Plan boundary may be spent on neighbourhood priorities. There are two adopted Neighbourhood Plans in Brent, Sudbury Town and Harlesden. A diagram showing the CIL Neighbourhood and Forum boundaries is in **Appendix 1**.

3.5 All shortlisted NCIL projects must be aligned to at least one of the Neighbourhood Priorities identified via consultation (January 2020). A summary of the current NCIL priorities is in **Table 1**:

Table 1 NCIL Priorities

Top 4 Neighbourhood Priorities				
Harlesden	Parks and Green Spaces	Crime and Antisocial behaviour	Education and Employment	Town Centres and High Streets
Willesden	Parks and Green Spaces	Crime and Antisocial behaviour	Climate Change and Ecology	Physical and Mental Health
Wembley	Parks and Green Spaces	Crime and Antisocial behaviour	Education and Employment	Physical and Mental Health
Kilburn and Kensal	Climate Change and Ecology	Parks and Green Spaces	Town Centres and High Streets	Physical and Mental Health
Kingsbury and Kenton	Parks and Green Spaces	Crime and Antisocial behaviour	Education and Employment	Community and Culture

- 3.6 Applications for NCIL funds are allocated twice a year. The current round closed on 3 May 2021. All projects are assessed on how well they meet the NCIL shortlisting criteria by the NCIL panel, consisting of the Head of Planning and Development Services, Planning Transport and Licensing and the Interim Head of Strategy and Partnerships. The Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Highways and Planning and Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Engagement also comment on shortlisted projects.
- 3.7 This specific round was capped at £2,000,000 with a focus on recovery. The total amount allocated by the panel in this round is £1,566,442.04.
- 3.8 Cabinet is asked to approve 4 projects that were shortlisted by the panel during March to April 2021 that were equal to or greater than £100,000. These 4 projects have a combined value of £519,688.
- 3.9 All projects must meet the 8 shortlisting criteria for all NCIL projects as follows:
- Meets the types of Infrastructure that can be funded within the CIL Regulations (2010)
 - Evidence of community backing
 - Addresses the impact(s) and supports ongoing development in the neighbourhood the project is being delivered in
 - Reflects the strategic priorities of the Council within the Borough Plan, meeting the theme of the specific NCIL round
 - Reflects the neighbourhood priorities within the neighbourhood the project is being delivered in
 - A one-off project that does not require additional revenue funding in its delivery or its operation (or identifies how additional revenue funding may be met)

- Benefits a diverse Brent community reflecting the demographics of the neighbourhood the project is being delivered in
- Offers value for money

3.10 The 4 projects that Cabinet are asked to consider have been assessed by the Panel and sufficiently meet the criteria to be presented to Cabinet for approval. The Projects are

1. Jason Roberts Foundation – Connect Brent
2. Brent Music Service in partnership with local schools and community groups – Brent Music Service Harlesden Music Centre Project
3. Queens Park Residents Association in partnership with Brent Council - Keslake Pocket Park Improvements
4. Alperton Resident's in partnership with Brent Council - Creating an Open Space for the Whole Community

One of these projects, Jason Roberts Foundation – Connect Brent, has specific focus to improve a community facility in Brent. The upgrade and improvement of community facilities will help address the impacts that development places on local communities

4.0 Jason Roberts Foundation / Connect Brent – Harlesden Neighbourhood – Stonebridge ward

4.1 Jason Roberts Foundation is seeking funds to undertake much-needed upgrading works at The Pavilion, the community centre where the charity is based in Harlesden Neighbourhood. The project will make the centre an all-weather facility that can be used by residents and community groups year-round, by erecting a steel canopy over the multi-games area and 5-a-side pitch.

4.2 The project will deliver:

- Increased participation in sports & fitness activities and community events
- Enhanced physical and mental wellbeing of participants
- Increased community cohesion amongst users
- Increased community use of The Pavilion facility

4.3 The project meets the CIL regulations by upgrading physical infrastructure at The Pavilion community centre in the Harlesden Neighbourhood. The project will make the centre an all-weather facility that can be used by residents and community groups year-round, by erecting a steel canopy over the multi-games area and 5-a-side pitch. The project will also benefit residents travelling from other neighbourhoods across Brent.

4.4 The community support for the proposal has been provided through a questionnaire targeting current users and captures over 100 respondents in support of the proposal, primarily from the Harlesden Neighbourhood. Additionally direct consultation has taken place with several local community groups who use the facility and have submitted letters of support.

4.5 Jason Roberts Foundation is registered on Companies House and Charities Commission as a Charitable Company

4.6 A summary of the provisional milestones for implementing these proposals is in **Table 2**.

Programme Milestones	Estimated Completion Date
Architects drawings	August 2021
Pre-planning Application advice and submission	September 2021
Planning Application	September 2021
Electrical works undertaken	November 2021
Ground works/Foundations for Canopy dug	November 2021
Canopy installation	December 2021
Opening/Launch event (possibly earlier)	January 2022
Day of Remembrance	March 2022
Community Events - Connect Brent	April – August 2022

4.7 The total project cost has been calculated at £196,288 of which £194,988 is the total NCIL contribution. Match funding is contributed from Jason Roberts Foundation.

5.0 Brent Music Service in partnership with schools and community groups - Harlesden Music Centre Project – Harlesden Neighbourhood – Harlesden & Stonebridge wards

5.1 Brent Music Service is seeking funds to provide local, easily accessible music venues in partnership with local groups to address the barriers preventing CYP participation in out-of-school music activity. Weekly centres will be available for children in Harlesden schools and will become progressively more visible in the community as the project progresses.

5.2 The project will:

- Increase CYP engagement in music through Brent Music Service supported activity from the Harlesden community
- Address known barriers: travel - distance, time, cost, parents escorting younger children; support balance of work/family commitments.
- Provide more cultural opportunities for children and young people through volunteering and youth involvement (Pupil Voice and RPO Young Leader programme)
- Deliver high quality education through professional music educators
- Develop young people's musical skills to a higher level & give group performance experience
- Strengthen provision for care leavers through volunteering opportunities and Young Leader training
- Contribute to positive well-being & health

- Celebrate Brent’s vibrant culture of music-making and appreciation – concerts/community workshops/parent involvement/Brent Makes Music and local and national festivals

5.3 The Project meets the CIL regulations by delivering social infrastructure to provide education and high quality music teaching across the borough beyond the life of the NCIL project. More specifically the project supports:

- Education and Employment - high quality music education, volunteering opportunities, opportunities for community musicians, RPO Young Leaders programme
- Physical and Mental Health – positive impact of music making and group music making in particular on mental and physical wellbeing and self-esteem.
- Community and Culture - bringing high quality cultural opportunities to the local area.

This project addresses the concerns of Harlesden residents highlighted in the NCIL Development Survey (2021) to do with the need for educational, cultural and wellbeing activities as well as concerns about the “severe and significant” impact on transport in the area. The Town Charter (2010) emphasises the impact of new developments resulting in the absence of music venues. Working in partnership with local schools and using their large performance spaces for concerts and workshops will help to address this and enable easy access to those in the local area without the need to travel long distances on public transport or deal with the high volume of traffic during the after-school to rush-hour period. We are also exploring the use of a community building on the Leopold Primary Gwenneth Rickus site on Brentfield Road. This addresses the impacts of development in the Harlesden neighbourhood where population is increasing resulting in more congestion.

5.4 The community support for the proposal has been provided by an online survey of Harlesden parents and captures 90 respondents in support of the proposal. Additionally direct consultation has taken place with community groups and several Harlesden schools who have submitted letters of support for the proposal.

5.5 A summary of the provisional milestones for implementing these proposals is in **Table 3**.

Programme Milestones	Estimated Completion Date C
Recruitment to ensembles - 12x taster workshops in schools/auditions	September 2021
Recruitment and training of initial volunteers x4	September 2021
Weekly ensemble delivery of 7x new BMS ensembles begins	September 2021
Young Leader recruitment and training sessions begin	October 2021
Launch of Harlesden Pupil Voice group	October 2021
Open rehearsals for parents	November 2021
End of term concerts	December 2021
Recruitment/auditions for January entry	December 2021

Boom Band and Bridge Orchestra workshops with RPO (Ensemble Explosion)	February 2022
Performance opportunities (Music for Youth Festival/Local events)	March 2022
Outdoor performance opportunities for Steel Pan groups	April 2022
Massed rehearsals for Brent Makes Music	June 2022
Brent Makes Music Concert at Wembley Arena for all participating pupils	July 2022

5.6 The total project cost has been calculated at £126,500 of which £100,000 is the NCIL contribution. Match funding is from the Brent Music Service.

6. QPARA in partnership with Brent Council – Keslake Pocket Park Improvements – Kilburn and Kensal Neighbourhood – Queen’s Park ward

6.1 Funds are sought by the resident’s association to remodel Keslake Pocket Park to make it safer and to design out ASB, crime, loitering and littering by providing a layout and street components that create a well-lit, safe, and open space. There will be increased visibility both into and across the space and the new design will provide a pleasing visual amenity, as well as a small square area for the local community.

6.2 The ‘Keslake Pocket Park Improvements’ will provide

- Substantial reduction in anti-social behaviour in the Pocket park area of around 90% due to the re-design and new layout
- A safe, welcoming and accessible space for all residents and visitors
- Improved aesthetics and safety through new lighting, trees and planters, bollards, and a new paved area

6.3 The Project meets the CIL regulations by delivering enhanced green space and positively contributing to community safety. It will benefit residents and in turn reduce other costs for the police and Council; in addition it will address criterion 'Repair failing existing infrastructure' as the current Pocket Park is in a run-down state; furthermore it is adjacent to the busy shopping area 'Town Centre and High Street' in Chamberlayne Road and will enhance that environment in conjunction with improvements in Brent's Kensal Corridor Improvements Scheme which should start being implemented directly opposite in Station Terrace and Kensal Rise station area in 2021.

The project addresses the impacts of development in the Kilburn and Kensal Neighbourhood

6.4 The community support has been provided by a survey completed about the project proposal and capturing over 60 residents and local businesses from around Keslake supporting the proposal.

6.5 A summary of the provisional milestones for implementing these proposals is in **Table 4**.

Programme Milestones	Estimated Completion Date
Detailed design of works	September 2021
Prepare contract documents	October 2021
Tender period to find contractors	November 2021
Contractor award	December 2021
Mobilisation	January 2022
Construction commences	February 2022
Completion	May 2022

6.6 The total project cost and NCIL contribution has been calculated as £124,700.

7. **Alperton Residents in partnership with Brent Council - Creating an Open Space for the Whole Community – Wembley Neighbourhood – Alperton ward**

7.1 Together, a group of Alperton residents and the Council's Regeneration and Parks teams have developed a proposal to enhance the quality of Alperton Sports Ground and address concerns raised by residents via consultation around the lack of outdoor and play facilities, anti-social behaviour, and security and safety concerns due to the developments in the Wembley neighbourhood.

7.2 The project will:

- Provide a safe, welcoming and accessible space for all residents and visitors
- Improve the quality of children's play and sports facilities
- Improve the aesthetics through tree planting, installing new benches, bins and furniture

7.3 The project meets the CIL regulations by delivering physical improvements to sports facilities, parks and green spaces, as well as increases the capacity of existing infrastructure. This is addressing the impact of developments in the Wembley neighbourhood. There will be community safety, physical and mental health, and ecological outcomes from this project.

7.4 The community support for the proposal has been provided by a survey and captures over 60 Alperton residents in support of the proposal.

7.5 A summary of the provisional milestones for implementing these proposals is in **Table 5**.

Programme Milestones	Estimated Completion Date C
Appoint landscape architects - To finalise designs and assist with second round of consultation	August – September 2021
Public consultation - Final designs presented to the public	September – October 2021
Tree maintenance - Removal of trunks	October – November 2021
Building survey	October – November 2021
Art installation	October – November 2021

installation of benches	October – November 2021
Dog station design and installation	October – November 2021
Bins installation	October – November 2021
Installation of play and sports equipment	November – December 2021
New tree planting	January 2022
New bedding	January 2022
Tree guards	January 2022
Completion of work	February 2022

7.6 The total project cost and NCIL contribution has been calculated as £100,000. The original request was for £216,632.12 from NCIL and was to include the installation of new tarmac paths. Should Brent Council wish to continue with this element of the project they would need to secure match funding to finance this cost.

8 Financial Implications

8.1 The value of CIL funds available to fund neighbourhood projects is dependent on the number and value of CIL liable developments in each CIL Neighbourhood. As of 1 March 2021, approximately £6.5m was available to fund NCIL projects. This round was capped at £2m in order to continue to have two NCIL rounds per year. Cabinet is asked to approve the use of £519,688 to fund 4 NCIL Projects over or equal to £100,000. Another 25 projects were awarded below the value of £100,000 totalling £1,046,754.04

8.2 NCIL Money available and awarded by Neighbourhood is in **Table 6**.

NCIL Budget	Harlesden	Kilburn and Kensal	Kingsbury and Kenton	Wembley	Willesden	STRA	HTRA	TOTAL
Amount Available	£250,000	£250,000	£250,000	£1,000,000	£250,000	£0	£0	£2,000,000
Amount Awarded	£269,393	£250,354	£113,341	£741,962	£190,550	£0	£0	£1,565,600

8.3 Summary of projects approved by the panel and not requiring a cabinet decision is in **Table 7**.

CIL Neighbourhood	Ward	Project	Project Summary	Delivered by	Funding Granted
HARLESDEN					£169,750.00
Harlesden	Harlesden	Salvation Army Harlesden Community Hub	This project will help to redevelop the Corps' community hub to increase its size by; expanding the size of the original hall and building additional floors; this will provide the Harlesden community with community rooms, a hall,	The Salvation Army - Harlesden Corps	£78,750.00

			a café, and community gardens.		
Harlesden	Harlesden	Supporting Community Recovery Through Increasing Capacity at the Fawood Family Wellbeing Centre	The project is to support recovery in the community, following the covid-19 pandemic, by increasing the capacity of the Fawood Family Wellbeing Centre.	Fawood Children's Centre	£91,000.00

KILBURN AND KENSAL					£125,654.00
Kilburn and Kensal	Mapesbury	Heart of Cricklewood	Cricklewood Town Team (CTT) is requesting a one-off grant from NCIL to enhance the pedestrian area (known as "The Piazza"), to re-activate it, and help it recover from the lockdown.	Cricklewood Town Team	£17,230.00
Kilburn and Kensal	Mapesbury	Creative Wellness & Cultural Connexions	This is a creative wellbeing project that will help to break isolation, improve mental and physical wellbeing, rekindle a sense of community spirit through a combination of face to face creative workshops which will bring vulnerable adults and older persons who have been isolated during Covid together	Learning Through The Arts	£37,424.00
Kilburn and Kensal	Brondesbury Park	Trees for All Souls Avenue	The aim of this application is to secure funding to plant trees along All Souls Avenue, a street with a diverse population and a large number of families.	Brent Council	£25,000.00
Kilburn and Kensal	Queens Park	Linden, Langler and Mortimer Trees	Linden Avenue, Langler Road and Mortimer Road Trees has been brought forward as a project by numerous residents in the area who wish to improve their	Brent Council	£46,000.00

			environment by planting new trees.		
KINGSBURY AND KENTON					£113,341.04
Kingsbury and Kenton	Fryent Barnhill	Fryent Country Park - Slough Lane entrance path and other improvements to the Park	The project aims to improve the drainage of the path off Slough Lane to make access easier; and to use that surface water to create a wildlife swale feature.	Brent Council	£46,600.00
Kingsbury and Kenton	Fryent Welsh Harp Queensbury	Silver Jubilee Adventure playground	The project seeks to create a brand new adventure playground in Silver Jubilee park. It will install and secure a suitable fence to ensure a safe space for children to play and express themselves freely, without having to worry about other park users or traffic from the nearby roads.	Brent Council	£50,000.00
Kingsbury and Kenton	Kenton	The Brook Way Biodiversity Community Project	The funding requested is for the introduction of a mural to be painted on a privately owned wall and we will involve both local schools in a design competition.	Brent Council	£8,275.00
Kingsbury and Kenton	Queensbury	Curbing anti-social behaviour at All Saints' Church and Hall, Queensbury	This project seeks to curb anti-social behaviour by installing new lighting in parts of the grounds and security features to act as a deterrent.	All Saints' Church Queensbury	£8,466.04
STRA					£9,921.00
Sudbury Town Residents Association	Sudbury	Enhancing our service	The aim of this project is to purchase a new Combi-Oven for our kitchen, to replace the existing one, which is now outdated and beginning to fail.	Sudbury Neighbourhood Centre (Middlesex) Ltd	£9,921.00
WEMBLEY					£158,297.00
Wembley	Wembley Central Sudbury	Erection of security fences to inhibit anti-	Erection of two fences from the North West and North East corners of the church to the existing boundary fence of Gilbert	St. John's Wembley Parochial Church Council	£17,300.00

		social behaviour	Scott Close, enclosing an area North of the Church.		
Wembley	Barnhill	Chalkhill Parent and Toddler Group	Daniel's Den (DD) would like to open and start a Parent/Carer and Toddler (PaT) group in Chalkhill Community Centre. These groups provide a safe space for carers to meet other families, be known in their community, stimulate and develop a child's confidence through play and activities.	Daniel's Den Ltd	£9,997.00
Wembley	Wembley Central Alperton	We are Alive and Kicking – Communities from Ealing Road after Covid	Community encounters between producers and members of the communities a series of photographs, numerous audio interviews and footage for a short film are taken and artistically presented in an upcoming exhibitions and events series (online and onsite) in the London Borough of Brent.	Mukul and Ghetto Tigers Limited	£49,500.00
Wembley	Alperton Wembley Central	School Colourful Crossings Wembley	Artists in Residence will be working collaboratively with local schools to design and make three wonderful and aesthetically pleasing colourful crossings in 3 major roads in Wembley.	Artists in Residence	£64,000.00
Wembley	Preston	Refurbishment of alleyway between Blenheim Gardens and St. Augustine's Avenue	Creating a safe space for local residents by refurbishing alleyway that is susceptible to ASB. Project will also seek to improve active travel in the area.	Brent Council	£17,500.00
WILLESDEN					£190,550.00
Willesden	Dollis Hill	Healthy Irish Elders	The project will be a weekly activity group that is run predominantly for older Irish residents of Brent.	Brent Irish Advisory Service	£49,378.00

Willesden	Dollis Hill	Sakura Cherry Trees	This bid is to cover the cost of work to prepare ground for planting Sakura Cherry trees, stakes, compost, watering bags, plus event costs for a community-planting day where residents are invited to plant a tree.	Brent Council	£28,750.00
Willesden	Willesden	Triton Chances	Triton Training will offer free Swimming Teaching and Lifeguard courses for Brent residents; these are industry-recognised courses through Swim England, STA and RLSS.	Triton Training	£62,422.00
Willesden	Willesden Green	New heritage gates at Willesden Jewish Cemetery	This project will purchase and install new gates for Willesden Jewish Cemetery, which is of nationally important inheritance.	United Synagogue	£50,000.00

MULTIPLE					£279,241.00
Wembley Harlesden Willesden Kilburn and Kensal	All	Aspire	Aspire will take 20 organisations (2 employees per organisation) on a learning journey that equips and guides them to access, boost and grow their funding-related activities	Young Brent Foundation	£55,000.00
Harlesden, HTRA, Kilburn and Kensal, Kingsbury and Kenton, STRA, Wembley, Willesden	All	Faith in Recovery	Project delivering 4 separate elements and directly support some of Brent's strategic priorities. Elements include: enhancing engagement with LB Brent Strategies, developing a relationship and working with the Police, relaunch the Borough of Sanctuary programme, enhance Interfaith relations and collaboration within Brent	i-Faith Forum	£73,820.00

Harlesden, HTRA, Kilburn and Kensal, Kingsbury and Kenton, STRA, Wembley, Willesden	Willesden Green Dudden Hill Dollis Hill Brondesbury Park Fryent Harlesden Kensal Green Kenton Kilburn Mapesbury Queen's Park Church Road Queensbury Stonebridge Welsh Harp Church Road	Tech Made Easy for Seniors	Mixture of in-person and online sessions to equip older people with basic IT and digital communication skills. This project will address isolation, improve skills and confidence. The project will directly support 192 individuals and encourage them to pass on their skills and knowledge to their elderly friends.	Brent Indian Community Centre (BICC)	£62,981.00
Harlesden, Kilburn and Kensal, Wembley	Tokyngton Mapesbury Stonebridge	The Brent Guitar Club	The project will focus on hands on instrumental music learning, primarily using acoustic guitars in a group environment for young people between 7 and 18 and some sessions for older members of the community, those living with dementia and those who are workless.	Musicus CIC	£30,600.00
Harlesden, Wembley	Stonebridge Harlesden Wembley	Brent Somali Group Roadshow	This project will look at recruiting volunteers and training them in mental health awareness as well as a 40 week physical and wellbeing project	Horn Stars Sc	£56,840.00

TOTAL £1,046,754.04

8.3 Each project will be required to sign a funding agreement to confirm project milestones, deliverables and outcomes with payment instalments. The Council's Grants Team will conduct regular project monitoring.

9 Legal Implications

9.1 The Planning Act 2008, and CIL Regulations 2010, provide for local authorities to apply the CIL to infrastructure to support development. The Neighbourhood element may be used to fund 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 (Reg. 59F).

9.2 CIL spend is governed by Part 7 of the CIL Regulations. For any financial year in which CIL, receipts are received, an infrastructure funding statement-outlining receipts and expenditure must be prepared and published on the council's website. (Reg. 62).

9.3 Government Guidance (2014, as amended) states that the Council must engage the community where development has taken place and accordingly, agree with them how best to spend the funding. The use of neighbourhood funds should match the priorities expressed by the local communities.

10 Equality Implications

10.1 In compliance with the Equality Act 2010 and the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED), the Council must, in the exercise of its functions, have “due regard” to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act.
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

10.2 The duty covers the following nine protected characteristics: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage & civil partnership, pregnancy & maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

10.3 An Equality Analysis (EA) of the NCIL programme was completed in December 2018. The overall assessment is that Brent’s NCIL programme has a positive impact in terms of promoting equality. Each project also completes an initial screening of the likely impact of their plans on the protected characteristics.

10.4 The increase in high quality community facilities in the borough is likely to have a positive impact on all protected characteristics, however each of the projects will be asked to provide confirmed milestones for the refurbishment including a plan for how to manage any potentially negative impacts on particular characteristics whilst refurbishment work is taking place.

10.5 Project funding agreements and monitoring schedule will cover all impacts on protected characteristics for individual projects and ways to address if relevant.

11 Consultation with Ward Members and Stakeholders

The Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Properties and Planning and The Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Engagement are consulted throughout the process including comments on the shortlisted projects. Letters of support from stakeholders (including ward members) were also received with the NCIL applications.

12 Human Resources / Property Implications (if appropriate)

There are no Human Resources implications for Brent.

Report sign off:

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