



COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY FUNDING REQUEST

Applications are invited for strategic infrastructure projects to be considered for Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding.

To bid for CIL funding, you will need to fill out the following application form and submit relevant supporting material, as necessary. Please ensure the information you provide is correct and complete to the best of your knowledge.

Email: cil@threerivers.gov.uk

Address: Community Infrastructure Levy Officer, Three Rivers District Council, Three Rivers House, Northway, Rickmansworth, Herts. WD3 1RL

As part of your application, we require the following or your submission may not be considered: Please refer to the CIL Funding Request Checklist for more details.

1. Community Infrastructure Levy Funding Request to be completed with reference to CIL Bid Scoring criteria and guidance
2. Equality Impact and Outcome Assessment
3. Climate and Sustainability Impact Assessment

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Please Note

Failure to answer all the questions on this form could impact upon the success of your application.

Bid Reference (Internal Reference):	
Section A: Applicant Contact Information	
Name and address of your organisation	Croxley Guild of Sports and Social Club The Green, Croxley Green, Rickmansworth. WD3 3HT
Name and position of main contact	Linda Martin, Croxley Guild Bowls Club, Croxley Guild of Sport, Member of Club and the Guild The Green, Croxley Green, Rickmansworth. WD3 3HT Email -Cherrywoodmail1@btinternet.com Tel 07715323070
Applicant contact details (phone number, email and address)	<i>Bob Dingley Chair of Croxley Guild of Sports and Social club</i> <i>Gordon Allan, Chair of Croxley Guild Bowls</i>
Type of organisation (If a charity, please provide registration number)	Croxley Guild of Sports and Social club is a charitable not for profit unincorporated association not a registered charity or company . Guild is CSC registered and the leaseholder of the whole complex of sports facilities which include the tennis club cricket ground rugby pitches and the bowls club. Croxley Guild Bowls Club is a charitable, not-for-profit unincorporated association, not a registered charity or company. It operates as a self-sufficient section of the Croxley Sports Guild, managed by volunteers and an elected committee.
Describe your organisation's main purpose and regular activities	<p>The Guild was originally the Sports Club for major employer John Dickinson and when they merged with the Robinson Paper Group they moved the company to Bristol and left the grounds in perpetuity for recreational use. In 1987 TRDC granted a lease to The Trustees of Croxley Guild and Social Club. The site is now a thriving sports complex with tennis club Rugby pitches and cricket ground and bowls club. The sports pavilion is well used .</p> <p>Founded in 1926, Croxley Guild Bowls Club offers year-round bowling for all ages and abilities, with outdoor lawn bowls in summer and short mat bowls in winter. Open seven days a week, the club provides both competitive and social opportunities. are affiliated to district, county, and national governing bodies, enabling members to play at every level, from friendly matches with local clubs to county and national competitions. The club runs Ladies, Mens, Veterans, and Junior sections, supported by a qualified coach offering training sessions. Regular "roll-up" games focus on practice, social play, and welcoming newcomers, while our annual April Open Weekend gives anyone the chance to try bowls for free.</p> <p>Bowls is an inclusive sport, and we are proud that members with mobility issues continue to play and compete. Beyond bowling, the club runs a lively social programme including card groups, fundraising events, and charity activities. We also host community groups such as the Croxley Community Choir and the Bee-Keeping Society.</p>

	<p>The purpose of the Club is to provide a friendly, accessible space for sport, socialising, and community connection at the heart of Croxley Green.</p>
<p>Is the organisation able to reclaim VAT?</p>	<p>The Bowls Club is not able to reclaim VAT directly. However, VAT can be recovered through the Croxley Sports Guild, of which the Club is a self-sufficient section. This arrangement ensures that the project costs are effectively managed and any VAT incurred does not increase the financial burden on the Club or impact the delivery of the proposed works.</p>

Section B: Project Overview	
Project Title	Croxley Guild Bowls Club: Accessibility, Sustainability and Community Wellbeing Improvements to Clubhouse and access Bowling Green and provision of a shelter
Summary of the project proposal	<p>Croxley Guild Bowls Club seeks CIL funding to improve accessibility, sustainability, and community use of its facilities.</p> <p>The project aim is to refurbish the clubhouse to improve energy efficiency (new improved better fitting double doors and to include a new double emergency door).Renewal of carpet and improved wash hand basins and faucets in Male and female WC to provide more maneuverable space.</p> <p>The project includes a timber pergola to provide shaded seating and shelter for players and visitors, particularly those with reduced mobility, and a space for social and community events. Broken paving will be replaced to ensure safer, more accessible movement around the green, clubhouse, and changing rooms. Three new double/triple glazed doors will improve thermal efficiency, while bicycle hoops will encourage sustainable travel.</p> <p>These improvements will enhance the health, social, and wellbeing benefits of bowls, broaden community engagement, and strengthen the club's role as a welcoming, sustainable hub for Croxley Green.</p>
Estimated project cost (including breakdown of the overall cost and what the CIL funding requested will cover)	<p>The total estimated cost of the project is £62298 (ex VAT) , with competitive quotes obtained for all key elements. Costs are broken down as follows: paving around the green £37328, Oak timber pergola supply and erection £12500, three double/triple-glazed doors including a fire door £5850, and bicycle hoops for eight bikes £230. Internal works include carpet sink units and cupboards £6620</p> <p>The total project estimate of £62298 will cover paving, pergola, doors, and bicycle hoops Internal works to include carpet sink units in wc areas and cupboards. We have received funding from Croxley Green Parish Council's CIL allocation of £15000 We are therefor looking for funding of £47298</p> <p>This ensures essential accessibility, safety, and sustainability improvements are delivered efficiently while leveraging club and parish resources, providing maximum long-term value to Croxley Green residents and the wider community</p>
Full address of project location	Croxley Guild Bowls Club, The Guild, The Green, Croxley Green, Rickmansworth. WD3 3HT
Project partner (if applicable)	<p>The Croxley Guild Bowls Club is a self-sufficient section of the Croxley Guild of Sport and Social Club.</p> <p>The Guild of Sport provides the location and facilities for various sports clubs, and the Bowls Club is one of those sections, offering lawn bowling for all ages and abilities alongside the Guild's other sports and social amenities.</p>

Section C: Strategic Case	
<p>Why is CIL funding being sought and who are the likely beneficiaries of the project? Please provide usage details where appropriate</p> <p>Please refer to CIL Scoring Criteria Guidance under: Delivering Growth & Community Support</p>	<p>CIL funding is sought to enable Croxley Guild Bowls Club to improve accessibility, inclusivity, and sustainability, ensuring local residents—including those from recent and planned housing developments—can fully benefit from its facilities. The club currently relies on membership fees and fundraising for essential maintenance, which over the past four years has totalled £21k for repairs, youth and vulnerable-user facilities, and specialist equipment, with the green itself costing £8k annually. Major improvements, 3 sets double doors to club house carpet and upgrade of wash hand basins and faucets in male and female wcs also includes a timber pergola, safer paving,, and bicycle storage, which cannot be funded from existing resources.</p> <p>The project will directly benefit Croxley Green residents by providing accessible facilities for older adults, people with disabilities, and users of specialist equipment; inclusive social spaces for training, roll-up sessions, and community events; sustainable transport options; and enhanced green infrastructure, including rainwater-fed planted areas that offer a quiet, contemplative space which can be used all year round.</p> <p>Croxley Green has a population of 13,534 (2021 Census), with 16% aged 60+, and the club is seeing growing participation from younger residents and those with disabilities. Improvements will serve both existing members and new residents from developments such as Millside Grange (140 homes) and a proposed 600-home scheme, providing clear public benefit across the community. Our current age profile is attached in the supporting evidence.</p>
<p>How does the project help address the demands of development in the area. What evidence is there to support this?</p> <p>Please refer to CIL Scoring Criteria Guidance under: Delivering Growth & Environment</p>	<p>Croxley Green’s recent housing growth, including Millside Grange (140 homes) and proposed new developments, alongside the opening of Croxley Danes Senior School, has increased demand for accessible community and leisure facilities. Croxley Guild Bowls Club has seen rising membership from both older residents and younger players, including those with disabilities, highlighting the need for safe, inclusive, and modern facilities.</p> <p>The project will provide improved club house with energy-efficient doors improved wcs and safer flooring outside improvements will include, accessible paving, a timber pergola, and bicycle storage. This all will support growing participation, social engagement, and sustainable transport. Open days and competitive matches demonstrate growing local interest, while enhanced facilities will allow the club to continue hosting district and county competitions. These improvements ensure the club can meet the needs of a growing, diverse population, promoting health, wellbeing, and lifelong participation in sport.</p> <p>There is a table showing the current age of the club and is attached to this submission</p>
<p>Do you have planning permission in place to carryout the works? If so, please provide the application number</p> <p>Please refer to CIL Scoring Criteria Guidance under: Deliverability</p>	<p>Planning consent has now been received (25/2102/Ful)for the Pergola . Planning consent is not required for the rest of work .</p> <p>The Club will secure all necessary approvals before starting any work and will fully comply with any conditions attached to planning consent, ensuring the project is delivered smoothly and in line with regulations</p>

<p>Please provide details of any supporting policy from the Local Plan</p> <p>Please refer to CIL Scoring Criteria Guidance under: Delivering Growth</p>	<p>The Croxley Guild Bowls Club project aligns with the Three Rivers Local Plan (adopted 2020) policies supporting sustainable growth, community infrastructure, and green spaces.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy CP2 – Protecting and Enhancing the Built Environment: The project improves accessibility, safety, and energy efficiency of existing sports facilities, ensuring high-quality infrastructure in line with local development. • Policy CP6 – Sustainable Transport: Installation of bicycle hoops and encouragement of walking or cycling supports reduced car dependency and sustainable travel for both members and visitors. • Policy CSD12 – Community Facilities: The plan promotes the protection and enhancement of indoor and outdoor community facilities. Improvements to the bowling green, clubhouse, and social spaces support wider community access, inclusive participation, and wellbeing. • Policy CP13 – Green Infrastructure: The project, landscaping, and planting enhance biodiversity, create amenity space, and provide a tranquil, publicly accessible environment within the Sports Guild. <p>By improving the club’s facilities, the project directly supports TRDC’s objectives for sustainable, inclusive, and well-managed growth, ensuring new and existing residents benefit from high-quality community and leisure infrastructure.</p>
<p>Would the community support the project?</p> <p>Please refer to CIL Scoring Criteria Guidance under: Community Support</p>	<p>There is strong community support for Croxley Guild Bowls Club’s proposed improvements. The club provides inclusive access to sport and social activities for all ages and abilities, including older adults, people with disabilities, and families. Upgrades—accessible paving, a timber pergola, energy-efficient doors, rainwater harvesting, and bicycle storage—will enhance safety, wellbeing, and participation.</p> <p>Local engagement through open days, newsletters, and events has demonstrated widespread enthusiasm. Community groups, such as Croxley Community Choir and the Bee-Keeping Society, regularly use the facilities, further evidencing cross-community support. The Parish Council supports the project, and TRDC officers have been consulted to ensure alignment with local strategies. Residents across Croxley Green, including those from new developments like Millside Grange, will benefit, making this a project with clear, tangible public value.</p>
<p>Please outline how the project will demonstrate value for money</p> <p>Please refer to CIL Scoring Criteria Guidance under Project cost</p>	<p>The project represents excellent value for money, combining essential maintenance, accessibility upgrades, and sustainability improvements. Competitive quotes have been obtained for all key elements, including paving (£37328 for long-lasting Indian sandstone), a timber pergola, double-glazed doors, rainwater harvesting, bicycle hoops, and safety upgrades, ensuring costs are benchmarked and reasonable.</p> <p>Each improvement delivers clear public benefit: safer, accessible surfaces, shelter for players and spectators, energy and water efficiency, and promotion of sustainable travel. The project will be partly funded by Croxley Green Parish Council from their CIL allocation, unlocking additional funding and ensuring timely delivery. With the club’s own limited resources primarily from membership fees, CIL support ensures these essential works can proceed, providing long-term, inclusive benefits to residents of Croxley Green and the wider community.</p>

Would the project lead to any income generation?

Please refer to CIL Scoring Criteria Guidance under: Project Cost

Yes, the project will help generate modest income by attracting new members, including younger players and those with disabilities, increasing membership subscriptions. Improved facilities—accessible paving, a pergola, upgraded doors, indoor wcs and outdoor spaces—will also enable the club to host more district and county-level competitions, social events, and community activities, generating venue hire income. While the focus remains on community benefit and inclusion, these enhancements will support the club’s long-term financial sustainability and continued provision of accessible sport and social opportunities for Croxley Green residents.

Section D: Financial information

Please show in the table below the amount of CIL funding being sought and any other contributions that may have been allocated for this scheme.

PLEASE ENSURE THE AMOUNT BEING SOUGHT FROM TRDC CIL EXCLUDES VAT

Please refer to CIL Scoring Criteria Guidance under: Project Cost

	Amount	Detail
Please indicate total cost of project		
Please provide a detailed breakdown of the costs for the project	£62298	<p>The total project cost is £62298, with funding requested from CIL to deliver key improvements at Croxley Guild Bowls Club.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paving (£37328): Safe, level surfaces around the green for accessibility and circulation. • Timber Pergola (12500): Sheltered area for players, spectators, and social events. • Clubhouse Doors (£5850): Three double/triple-glazed doors including a fire door for energy efficiency and safety. • Bicycle Hoops (£230) Encourages sustainable travel and secure storage. • Carpet (£1950) • Sink units to male and female wcs (£1090 plus fitting of £3350) • Cupboards <p>Additional clubhouse improvements (cooker, dishwasher, carpet) are funded by the Club. The £15,000 already secured from CGPC and club funds complements the CIL request, ensuring full delivery of all planned works.</p>
Please provide a detailed summary of the total CIL funding required, including phasing	£47298	<p>The total CIL funding requested is £47298 covering key improvements to enhance accessibility, sustainability, and community use at Croxley Guild Bowls Club.</p> <p>Phase 1 – Winter 2026: paving around the green (£37328) for safe, level surfaces, and the timber pergola (£12500) providing shelter for players and social events..replacement of three double-triple-glazed doors (£5850), works to wc areas (£6626)</p> <p>Phase 2 Spring 2026: eight bicycle hoops (£230) to encourage sustainable travel.</p>

		The remaining project costs will be met by the Club and partial Parish CIL support. This phased plan ensures priority works are completed first, delivering maximum community benefit efficiently and within budget
How much funding does the project currently have?	£15000	The project currently has £15000 secured from Croxley Green Parish Council grant funding and internal club funds. The additional £47298 requested from CIL will cover the remaining costs, enabling delivery of all planned improvements, including paving, pergola, doors, and bicycle hoop sink units and cupboards and carpet. Installing rain water harvesting will be met by the club.
Are there any revenue costs (i.e. day-today running costs, maintenance cost) associated with the project and if so how will they be funded and has that funding been secured?		<p>The project's costs are one off capital expenses. Ongoing revenue costs, including day-to-day maintenance of the green, clubhouse, and surrounding areas, are funded through membership fees, user fees, fundraising, and volunteer support.</p> <p>The planned improvements are designed to reduce future running costs: durable paving lowers repair needs, energy-efficient doors cut heating bills, and rainwater harvesting reduces water usage. Funding for ongoing upkeep is secured within the Club's budget, supplemented by Parish Council support, ensuring long-term sustainability without placing additional financial pressure on members or the community.</p>

Please indicate in the table below the source of additional funding that has been secured/ is being sought.				
Source	Amount	Conditions Attached	Use by Date	Funding Confirmed
Croxley Green Parish Council	£15000	none		yes

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Does the CIL funding help secure the release of additional funding?	No	
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Section E: Delivery and on Going Maintenance

What is the delivery timescale for the project?
 Please refer to CIL Scoring Criteria Guidance under: Deliverability

The project is fully deliverable within Winter 2025 – Spring 2026. Croxley Guild Bowls Club sits within the tenancy of the Sports Guild. Three Rivers Council owns the site. The Bowls Club have full consent of the Croxley Sports Guild for all works. Planning permission is being sought for the pergola. A detailed project plan covers phased delivery of key elements: paving, pergola, doors, water harvesting, bicycle hoops, and clubhouse upgrades. Competitive quotes and cost controls ensure the project stays within budget.

The Club’s management committee will oversee delivery, supported by volunteers and contractors, with CIL-funded elements monitored by Croxley Green Parish Council. Routine inspections and ongoing maintenance will be funded through membership fees, fundraising, and operational income. The improvements integrate seamlessly with existing Sports Guild activities, enhancing accessibility, safety, sustainability, and community use while ensuring long-term benefit for Croxley Green residents.

Section F: Additional Information

Is there any additional information that may support the application?

Croxley Guild Bowls Club, celebrating its Centenary in 2026, provides inclusive sport and social opportunities for all ages and abilities, including older adults and people with disabilities. The proposed improvements—accessible paving, timber pergola, energy-efficient doors, rainwater harvesting, and bicycle hoops—enhance safety, sustainability, and community wellbeing.

The Club regularly hosts district and county competitions, open days, and community events, demonstrating strong local demand and support. Partial funding from Croxley Green Parish Council’s CIL allocation ensures deliverability, with the Club’s resources and volunteers providing ongoing maintenance. This project secures a safe, welcoming, and thriving hub for Croxley Green residents for years to come

There is supporting evidence attached that this work is needed to enable continued use by the less able. Recent refurbishment of the clubhouse has been funded by the clubs member but further essential is required. Outdoor shelter is vital for players and visitors and will extend the use of the site during the autumn and Winter for the members for social meetings and quiet contemplation.

2026 is the centenary year of the club and there will be events to showcase the club and the Guild. Among the events there will be a game with the Chelsea Pensioners who will march onto the site.

Section G: Declaration

When you have completed the application, please sign this declaration and submit the application form as directed

To the best of my knowledge the information I have provided on this application form is correct.

If Three Rivers District Council agrees to release funds for the specified project, these funds will be used exclusively for the purposes described. In such an event, I agree to inform the Council's Infrastructure Delivery Coordinator of any material changes to the proposals set out above. When requested, I agree to provide the Council with all necessary information required for the purposes of reporting on the progress or otherwise of the identified project. I recognise the Council's statutory rights as the designated CIL Charging Authority, which includes provisions to reclaim unspent or misappropriated funds. Privacy Notice: By signing this form, the applicant agrees to Three Rivers District Council checking all supplied information for the purposes of informing decision making. The information on this form will be stored in the Council's Infrastructure Spending Board manual filling system and summarised in the Council's ICT system for the sole purpose of fund processing, analysis and accounting. Information about the project maybe publicised on the Council website and in public material for publicity purposes. Personal data will not be disclosed without any prior agreement of those concerned, unless required by law. For further information on the Council's privacy policy, please see: <https://www.threerivers.gov.uk/egcl-page/privacy-notice>

Signed: _____ Please see signed copy in documents 1.1

Organisation: _____

Date: _____

All organisations involved with the application will need to sign and date the form.

Signed: _____

Organisation: _____

Date: _____