

Community, cultural and heritage uses will largely be funded or part funded through CIL. If a proposal affects an historic building, applicants are advised to contact the council's conservation officer prior to submitting a planning application, as there may be site specific requirements which will need to be secured through a S106 planning agreement. In addition, larger developments may justify the need for specific infrastructure such as a community centre or a community worker. Applicants are encouraged to contact the council at the earliest opportunity. A Community Worker or Community Officer can be instrumental in providing essential liaison between the Developer, Council, Councillors and members of the public and will also assist in the integration of the proposed site with the existing community. For Community Workers for sites where there are 20 or more dwellings, the contribution is £345 per dwelling at 1/4/25 (indexed in accordance with the CPI). This flat rate applies to developments of up to 150 dwellings. For sites being delivered on a phased basis, or with more than 150 dwellings this should be regarded as a base figure and will be the subject of negotiation to ensure that the payment covers the duration of delivery of the site. The trigger for payment will be prior to commencement, however for larger sites this payment can be divided into separate instalments, the first payable prior to commencement. For particularly large or Strategic Sites there may be a need for a dedicated Community Worker.