

Thurston Parish Council

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APPLICATION FOR CIL FUNDING

A proportion of CIL payments collected by Mid Suffolk District Council are passed on to the Parish or Town Council in which development is taking place.

The Parish Council has a duty to spend CIL income on:

- providing, improving, replacing, operating or maintaining infrastructure that supports the development of the parish council area
- or
- anything else concerned with addressing the demands that development places on the area.

Providing CIL is spent in accordance with the above CIL monies may be used to provide seed or match funding with other income streams and / or may be spent collaboratively with other parish councils, community interest companies or other providers to make the most efficient use of funding to benefit the community.

Any CIL monies due to the Parish Council are confirmed by Mid Suffolk District Council at six monthly intervals in March and September with funds being paid to Thurston Parish Council in April and October.

Please read the Thurston Parish Council CIL funding application form guidance notes before completing this form. To discuss a potential project, or for further guidance, please contact the Parish Clerk at clerk@thurstonparishcouncil.gov.uk on 01359 232854.

Please note that if an external organisation has been granted CIL funds for a project it may not apply for further CIL funding, regardless of the project, until twelve months have elapsed since the previous award was granted.

Processing of bids submitted:

The application process will be centered upon a bidding round with consideration on a twice-yearly basis, with submission (preferably by email) of bids by applicants using the form below. The twice-yearly bid round cycle will be as follows:

Bid Round 1 for the year	By 31 st May - Applications for CIL to be submitted By 30 th June - Bids to be validated and assessed against policy criteria July - Bids to be considered by full Council at Parish Council Meeting August - Letters to be issued confirming outcome of bids to applicants
Bid Round 2 for the year	By 31 st December - Applications for CIL to be submitted By 31 st January (year following) - Bids to be validated and assessed against policy criteria February - Bids to be considered by full Council at Parish Council Meeting March - Letters to be issued confirming outcome of bids to applicants

Please return completed application forms and supporting information to:
clerk@thurstonparishcouncil.gov.uk.

THURSTON Parish Council CIL Funding Application Form

1. Applicant organisation	Suffolk Libraries
2. Name and position of main contact	Mandy Wilkinson Head of Finance – Suffolk Libraries
3. Applicant contact details (phone number, email and address)	County Library, Northgate St., Ipswich IP1 3DE 07842 474744 Email: Mandy Wilkinson <Mandy.Wilkinson@suffolklibraries.co.uk>
4. Type of organisation If a charity, please provide registration number	Suffolk Libraries (Thurston) Charity No. : XT 34476
5. Is the organisation able to reclaim VAT?	Yes. It will be via Suffolk – Libraries dept.
6. Location of project	Existing former garden space adjacent to Thurston Library. Access will be via both the library building and external gate. This is a fenced and secure area suitable for all ages. SCC owns the land; Suffolk Libraries is the provider to SCC.
7. Summary of the project proposal	To repurpose the existing fenced outdoor space (former garden of childrens centre) to create a Sensory Garden with good accessibility for all ages and abilities including those with dementia. It is planned to link with the Primary School and have an area for vegetable growing to encourage childrens interest in gardening. This is a substantial project to be used in perpetuity by library users and the wider community and aligns with aims stated in the adopted Neighbourhood Plan.

<p>8. Estimated project cost</p>	<p>£7000</p> <p>To include purchase of a shed, furniture(benches, table, etc.) sleepers, imported topsoil, trellis, plants and other materials. Labour for construction/preparation is to be provided by the various volunteers.</p>
<p>9. Detail of additional sources of funding available</p>	<p>To date the following additional funding has been raised</p> <p>Friends of Library - £500</p> <p>The Friends of the Library are proposing to commence fundraising directly for the garden project – this will involve other community groups including the Scouts (BBQ). Further proposals are currently being sought together with donations from local businesses.</p>
<p>10. Why is CIL funding being sought? Please provide details of sources of funding already considered or applications made for funding?</p>	<p>We feel that CIL funding is our most appropriate source, as the large-scale new developments in the village have increased the use of the library and will continue to do so. This is a demonstration of how much this facility is valued. This is a special project that will allow the library in the widest sense to reach out to more people of all ages in our community. Currently we have no other source of major funding. Friends events and donations will continue to provide valuable small-scale funding.</p>
<p>11. Please indicate whether the organisation has previously received CIL of other funding sources from Thurston Parish Council and/or Mid Suffolk District Council. If yes, please provide details.</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Thurston Parish Council - library tables £2648 (2021)</p>
<p>12. How does the project help address the demands of development in the area. What evidence is there to support this?</p>	<p>This project is designed to reach out to more people in the community, including those with dementia and special needs. We will be able to encourage children to grow vegetables and attendance at outdoor art projects for all ages will be promoted. The project will reach out to those with mental and physical health needs for many years to come. Current library users regularly express their appreciation of the many facets of the service provided. Attendance at the library and its garden promotes exercise – walking and cycling – in all age groups.</p>

<p>13. What evidence is there of support from the community</p>	<p>The Friends Group has already received a good deal of support with the promise of labour and plants/sundries both from private individuals and the local business community. There is anecdotal evidence of a wish for this area to be brought back into proper use.</p>
<p>14. Approximately how many of those who will benefit from the project are Thurston parishioners?</p>	<p>As the area will be open to all during library hours it is hoped that Thurston residents will gain benefit and enjoyment from this garden. It is also open to library users and others who may not actually be resident in the parish of Thurston – there are users from Moreton Hall and other surrounding villages.</p>
<p>15. Proposed timescales for the project</p>	<p>The project is to proceed immediately using resources that are currently available. To allow the scheme to be completed successfully CIL grant funding will be required.</p>
<p>16. Is there a related revenue spend (i.e. day-to-day running costs) associated with the project? How will this be addressed?</p>	<p>There will be ongoing maintenance required. This will largely be met by volunteers/donations - (lawn mowing, weeding, general upkeep). It is hoped that further small amounts of money/materials/plants will be raised by the Friends both from their own resources and local businesses to assist with upkeep.</p>
<p>17. If the organisation is not in the public sector please provide details of the organisation's finances.</p>	<p>Organisation is in the public sector. VAT no.: 134918209 Charity No.: XT 34476 FCA No.:IP31542®</p>

<p>18. Do you need planning permission to carry out the works? If planning permission is required is it in place to carry out the works? If so, please provide the application number</p>	<p>Planning permission is not required. Re-use of existing former garden.</p>
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