

2026-27 Substantive LHFIG Funding Applications Studley Traffic Calming Measures

1. Introduction

This Paper provides an update on the Studley Traffic Calming Substantive Scheme. It asks Finance Committee to consider the CIL reserves and advise full Council on how much may be committed in support of a second bid for substantive highway scheme funding.

2. Background

In September 2025, the Council considered two potential projects to submit as bids for Substantive LHFIG Funding (2025-26):

- Studley Traffic Calming Measures.
- Petty Lane to A4 Shared Use Path.

The report can be found here: <https://derryhillandstudley-pc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/13.3-Substantive-Highway-Schemes.pdf>.

The Council resolved to promote Studley traffic calming scheme as a Bid for Substantive Highway Scheme Funding, with a parish contribution of £5,000 to be funded from CIL Receipts.

The scheme comprises the following improvements at an estimated ball park cost of £40,800:

- Site 1 – entrance to Studley Lane. Pedestrian crossing point and village threshold to be highlighted with buff-coloured surfacing; village nameplate and planter. This is intended to highlight the village entrance from the A4.
- Site 2 – Methodist Chapel and “village green”. The noticeboard and dog bin on green verge near the Methodist Chapel give this a village-centre feel. The proposal is to demarcate this area with thresholds of granite setts, and to provide buff-coloured surface treatment to the informal parking spaces by the notice board, in order to provide “visual thinning” when there are no cars parked.
- Site 3 – Studley Hill. Start of 20mph speed limit to be highlighted with buff-coloured surface treatment, 20mph roundel, granite setts and planter.
- Site 3B – Studley Hill. Village entrance to be highlighted with village gates and “Studley” nameplates.
- Site 4B – entrance from direction of Hazeland. Start of 20mph speed limit to be highlighted with buff-coloured surface treatment, 20mph roundel and granite setts.
- Site 5 – entrance to Norley Lane. Village threshold to be highlighted with buff-coloured surfacing and 20mph roundel; pedestrian crossing point to be highlighted in buff-coloured surfacing; village nameplate and planter.

The outline drawings can be found here: <https://derryhillandstudley-pc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/13.3-Studley-Traffic-Calming-outline-drawings.pdf>.

The results of the 2025/26 Substantive LHFIG Funding process can be found here:

<https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=2334>

As reported to Council in May, the Studley Traffic Calming Scheme was ranked 10th out of 11, with the top 5 being funded. It is noted that the unsuccessful bids were closely grouped and very sensitive to the scoring. If the Studley Scheme had been assessed with a benefit score of just 3 points higher (i.e. 15 rather than 12), then it would have qualified for funding. It was also noted that the assessed benefit score of 12 compared poorly with the 39 points scored in the previous year by the Derry Hill Scheme.

The Road Safety Working Group will be requesting that Council approves the submission of the Studley scheme for Substantive LHFIG Funding in this year's bid process.

3. Recommendation

Finance Committee is asked to review the current CIL Reserve and commitments and recommend how much to commit to supporting the Studley Traffic Calming scheme in this year's Substantive LHFIG Funding Application process.

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