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Thank you for providing Historic England with an opportunity to comment on the emerging CIL, an important source of funding to underpin the delivery of sustainable development in North Dorset.

Successful and sustainable development may be dependent on historic places/spaces to provide the essential character, the social infrastructure, culture, community focus, amenity, recreation or leisure opportunities required to ensure thriving sustainable communities. Due to the increased demands on these heritage assets from new development, CIL can contribute to funding their upkeep and condition.

Consequently Historic England welcome reference, in the Regulation 123 list, to public realm enhancements. There are many benefits.

- Investment in the public realm can help support the delivery of the Local Plan's objectives for the historic environment.
- Improvements to the public realm in town and village centres can help encourage walking and cycling and support the delivery of sustainable transport objectives.
- Improvements in the overall quality, character and indeed functioning of areas can also contribute to wider policy aims linked to tourism, the economy and the built environment.

Sincere regards

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