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Submitted to SDC Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Spending Board - Applications for CIL Funding
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Your Details

1 What is your name?

Name:
Melissa Barcroft

2 What is your email address?

Email:
[REDACTED]

3 What is your organisation?

Organisation:
The Stag Community Arts Centre

4 Position/ Role in organisation

Position/ Role in organisation:
Fund Raising Manager

Section 1- Project Details

5 Scheme Name

Please type your answer into the text box:

Stag Theatre Solar Panels

6 Description of the Scheme

Please type your answer into the text box:

Installation of two Solar PV systems of 182 x 395W across two roofs using South facing elevations of The Stag Theatre

7 Is this scheme promoted by your organisation in partnership with another organisation(s)?

No

8 If you answered YES to question 6, please provide the following details:

Please type your answer into the text box:

N/A

9 Is planning permission required for the scheme?

Yes

10 If you answered YES to question 8, has this been applied for?

Yes

Please type your answer into the text box:

N/A

11 If planning permission has been granted – please give details and a reference number.

Please type your answer into the text box:

22/01222/PARSOL. The Stag Theatre applied for a renewable energy prior approval application on 28 April 2022 and received notice on 21 June 2022 that Prior Approval was not required.

12 Please provide details of any other consent required if appropriate (e.g. conservation, Listed Buildings, other Government bodies), including the date it was applied for/granted:

Please type your answer into the text box:

N/A

Section 2 - Need for the Scheme

13 List of projects or development that result in the need for this scheme:

Please type your answer into the text box:

For the ongoing survival of The Stag and its aspiration to reduce its environmental impact in line with Sevenoaks District Council's aim to be Net Zero by 2030.

14 How is the scheme related to these developments?

Please type your answer into the text box:

This scheme will provide a predicted yield of 55,703kWh/year and of which 41,708kWh/year would be used by The Stag and potentially exporting 13,930kWh/year to the grid. CO2 emissions avoided by this scheme for The Stag could be 23,821 kg a year.

Please upload any supporting documents:

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15 Please provide an explanation of the 'public benefit' of the scheme proposed for residents in Sevenoaks District, in terms of: Economic

Please type your answer into the text box:

The scheme would strengthen the continuity of survival of The Stag which provides entertainment facilities for hundreds of thousands of residents of Sevenoaks District. Local businesses and restaurants benefit from The Stag being in the town with increased footfall which also prompts people to shop local.

16 Please provide an explanation of the 'public benefit' of the scheme proposed for residents in Sevenoaks District, in terms of: Social

Please type your answer into the text box:

Post pandemic, Sevenoaks is striving to recover from its effects and The Stag assists the community with its recovery with the opportunity of socialising, mental stimulation, providing a sense of wellbeing and for residents to get out and about again.

17 Please provide an explanation of the 'public benefit' of the scheme proposed for residents in Sevenoaks District, in terms of: Environmental

Please type your answer into the text box:

In June 2019 the government committed to reaching Net Zero carbon emission by 2050 and Sevenoaks District Council agreed in November 2019 to the aspiration to be Net Zero by 2030 and The Stag could avoid emitting 23,281 kg of CO2 and potentially export 13,930kWh/year to the grid which would provide surplus low carbon energy to the residents of Sevenoaks.

18 Is the need for the scheme identified in any adopted strategy/plan? E.g. Neighbourhood Plan, Work programme of a Statutory Body, Infrastructure Plan. If so, which?

Please type your answer into the text box:

The STC Neighbourhood Plan 2022 states that they will promote policies that will help to deliver the SDC Net Zero 2030 target either through land use and development or through helping to facilitate and encourage more sustainable lifestyles. Another objective is to deliver enhanced community assets. The Stag charity has always reinvested surplus income and grant monies in the refurbishing and improving The Stag Theatre. Since 2009 this has amounted to £1.2m.

19 How does the scheme identify with the Council's Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) and its priorities?

Please type your answer into the text box:

The Stag is a community facility and a cultural building and therefore improvements to it using the developer contributions along with the drive towards Net Zero by 2030 is part of that.

20 How does this project help the Council achieve its ambition to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions and achieve its Net Zero 2030 target?

Please type your answer into the text box:

The installation of solar panels across the two south facing roofs of The Stag means a reduction in carbon based electricity used and so lessening the impact The Stag has on CO2 emissions within Sevenoaks District.

Section 3 - Funding

21 Total Project Cost:

Please type your answer into the text box:

£56,929.15 +VAT

22 Funding required from CIL:

Please type your answer into the text box:

£42,600.00

23 Please identify other funding sources for this project, what contribution they are making and why these can not be used to fund the scheme in its entirety.

Please type your answer into the text box:

Sevenoaks Town Council CIL, National Lottery Awards for All, Theatres Trust Small Grants Programme.

We are in the process of making applications to National Lottery Awards for All and the Theatres Trust but the grants awarded by them are limited to up to £10,000 and £5,000 respectively. We would also have a more successful outcome if we have CIL funding in place.

We applied to Sevenoaks Town Council CIL on 14 July 2022 and are waiting to hear the outcome.

24 Is this bid for staged payments?

No

25 Will staged payments be accepted?

Yes

26 Please provide details of anticipated funding requirements and timetable.

Please type your answer into the text box:

We would need two thirds of the funding to start the scheme and one third on completion of the works.

27 Has a bid(s) for CIL funding been made to relevant Town and Parish Councils?

Yes

Please type your answer into the text box:

An application was made to Sevenoaks Town Council on 14 July 2022 and we are waiting for a decision to be made.

28 If this bid is being made by a Parish or Town Council and no CIL funds have been contributed by them, please provide an explanation for this.

Please type your answer into the text box:

N/A

29 Would the scheme be fully funded if the CIL contribution is agreed?

No

30 Has this scheme already benefited from CIL funding through the CIL Spending Board?

No

Please type your answer into the text box:

N/A

31 Has this scheme/land/building already benefited from funding from Sevenoaks District Council?

Yes

Please type your answer into the text box:

A pandemic discretionary grant for survival of The Stag was of £25,000 was made on 14 July 2020.

32 Has the project, at any stage, benefited from any CIL Exemptions as laid out in the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended)

No

Please type your answer into the text box:

N/A

Section 4 - Deliverability

33 Does your organisation have the legal right to carry out the proposed scheme?

Yes

Please upload documentation for statutory provider support:

Permissions.pdf was uploaded

34 Anticipated start date for delivery of the scheme:

Please type your answer into the text box:

3rd Quarter 2022

35 Anticipated finish date for the delivery of the scheme:

Please type your answer into the text box:

Approximately 30 days

36 Anticipated date when CIL funding will need to be made available:

Please type your answer into the text box:

Prior to project start

37 Does land need to be purchased to facilitate the scheme?

No

Please type your answer into the text box:

N/A

38 Please provide a consultation plan to let SDC know when they can expect progress reports on the project.

Please type your answer into the text box:

We would be able to provide weekly reports as needed.

39 Please provide details of the management and timescales of the project.

Please type your answer into the text box:

The project will be overseen by Tony McEwen, Deputy Chief Executive, who has over 10 years experience of facilities management at The Stag. The work would be carried out by OHM Energy who are a Government Accredited Installer and have recently been awarded Renewable Heat Installer of the Year by the Energy Efficiency awards.

40 Has consultation been carried out on the scheme or is any planned?

Carried out

Please type your answer into the text box:

An electronic survey has been sent to residents of Sevenoaks on Friday 15 July and we are waiting to collate the results. We will update the CIL Board with results from this survey in a few weeks.

Please attach consultation document:

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41 Is a relevant SDC ward member(s) supportive of the scheme?

Yes

Please provide SDC ward member signature:
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42 Is the relevant Town/Parish Council supportive of the scheme?

Yes

Please provide signature of a town/parish council chairman, clerk or chief executive.:
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43 Do you have any other local support for the scheme?

Yes

Please type your answer into the text box:

We often have feedback from our customers about our approach to sustainability and what our environmental credentials are. We have also instigated a survey to the residents of Sevenoaks through Jotform Survey Maker.

You may upload any documents demonstrating local support.:
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Section 5 - Maintenance

44 Which organisation will be responsible for ongoing maintenance?

Please type your answer into the text box:

The Stag Theatre will hold maintenance and support contracts for the Solar Panels system.

45 Are funding arrangements in place for maintenance?

Yes

46 Please provide details.

Please type your answer into the text box:

These will be funded by The Stag Theatre.

47 Please provide any further comments here.

Please type your answer into the text box:

N/A

Section 6 - Supporting Information

48 You can provide any supporting documents for your application here.

If you wish to do so, please provide any additional documents.:
20220615-updated OHM Energy specification.pdf was uploaded

If you wish to do so, please provide any additional documents.:
Aerial View of The Stag.pdf was uploaded

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Roof Location of Solar Panels.pdf was uploaded

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Section 7 - Declaration and Further Information

49 Declaration

I agree to the Declaration as stated above

50 Name, role and contact details of the person that will be the contact for this bid:

Please type your answer into the text box:

Melissa Barcroft
Fund Raising Manager
The Stag
London Road
Sevenoaks
Kent
TN13 1ZZ

01732 466170
[REDACTED]

51 Name, role and contact details of the person that will be attending SDC's CIL Spending Board to support this bid.

Please type your answer into the text box:

Melissa Barcroft
Fund Raising Manager
The Stag
London Road
Sevenoaks
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TN13 1ZZ

01732 466170
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52 Name, role and contact details of the person that will be the point of contact and responsible for the Legal Contract.

Please type your answer into the text box:

Tony McEwen
Deputy Chief Executive
The Stag
London Road
Sevenoaks
Kent
TN13 1ZZ

01732 466590
[REDACTED]

53 Name, role and contact details of the person that will be legally responsible for receiving the CIL funds.

Please type your answer into the text box:

Denise Firth
Finance Manager
The Stag
London Road
Sevenoaks
Kent

TN13 1ZZ

01732 466180



54 Full company/charity name

Please type your answer into the text box:

The Stag Community Arts Centre

55 Registered Charity Number:

Please type your answer into the text box:

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