CABINET

26 June 2013

Minute Extract

116. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL): SUBMISSION OF DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE (Report CAB2489 refers)

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Evans stated that it was unclear to parish councils exactly how CIL receipts could be spent. In addition, she queried whether the Winchester Town Forum would be consulted on what projects CIL funds should be allocated to?

The Corporate Director explained that parish councils had been advised of the position which was that if no Neighbourhood Plan was in place, they would receive 15% of CIL levies triggered in their area and that, in general there was a much greater degree of discretion as to what these receipts could be spent on than under the Open Space scheme. In addition, it was open to the City Council to decide to allocate more than 15% in a particular parish to support a specific project.

The Corporate Director advised that the exact allocation of CIL monies within the Town Wards had yet to be determined, and this would be the subject of further discussion by the Winchester Town Forum, Cabinet and Council.

In response to a question, the Head of Strategic Planning confirmed that development of affordable housing was exempt from paying a CIL levy.

Cabinet agreed to the following for the reasons set out above and outlined in the Report.

RECOMMENDED:

1. THAT THE REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED IN RESPONSES TO THE CITY COUNCIL'S DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE BE NOTED, AND, HAVING REGARD TO OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS (INCLUDING NEW GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE ON CIL), THE RECOMMENDED RESPONSE AT APPENDIX 1 OF THE REPORT BE AGREED.

2. THAT THE CATEGORIES FOR REFINING THE LIST OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE COUNCIL'S SUBMITTED DRAFT LIST, SET OUT AT PARAGRAPH 4.7 OF THE REPORT, BE AGREED. 3. THAT THE STATEMENT OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE, AT APPENDIX 3 OF THE REPORT, BE AGREED, AND THE HEAD OF STRATEGIC PLANNING, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT, BE AUTHORISED TO SUBMIT THE DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE AND THE STATEMENT OF MODIFICATIONS, TOGETHER WITH THE DRAFT INFRASTRUCTURE LIST AND OTHER SUPPORTING EVIDENCE, TO AN INDEPENDENT EXAMINER FOR EXAMINATION.

4. THAT THE HEAD OF STRATEGIC PLANNING, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT, BE AUTHORISED TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE DURING THE EXAMINATION PROCESS TO CORRECT FACTUAL OR TEXTUAL ERRORS, PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION AND EVIDENCE, AND TO RESPOND TO ANY MODIFICATIONS SUGGESTED BY THE EXAMINER TO ADDRESS ISSUES OF SOUNDNESS AND/OR COMPLIANCE WITH LEGISLATION OR GUIDANCE.