

CABINET**4 December 2013****Minute Extract****379. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY CHARGING SCHEDULE:
ADOPTION OF DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE AND INTRODUCTION OF
CIL CHARGE**

(Report CAB2529(LDF) refers)

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillors Learney and Evans addressed Cabinet and their comments are summarised below.

Councillor Learney emphasised that it was very important that the Council was clear about how the CIL monies would be allocated, as there would be more demands on the funds than monies available. In addition, it was essential that parish councils, in addition to the Winchester Town Forum, understood the proposals and she requested more clarity on consultation on the Regulation 123 list. She reiterated that the Liberal Democrat Group considered that all parishes and the Town area should receive 25% of funding collected.

Councillor Evans highlighted the potential difficulties because of the delay in the South Downs National Park adopting CIL in their area. She also queried whether funding for infrastructure for large developments within the District would come from Section 106 contributions, rather than CIL?

The Head of Strategic Planning clarified that the Council would continue to require Section 106 contributions for items not covered by CIL, such as infrastructure requirements for a large development. The purpose of the Regulation 123 list was to set out when Section 106 contributions could not be required in order to prevent any double-charging.

With regard to the request for further consultation, the Head of Strategic Planning advised that consultation had already been carried out.

Cabinet noted that at the Cabinet (Local Development) Committee on 27 November 2013, it had been recommended that the Regulation 123 List be referred to the Winchester Town Forum for consideration at its meeting on 12 March 2014.

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

RECOMMENDED:

1. THAT THE CITY COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) CHARGING SCHEDULE BE ADOPTED, INCORPORATING THE COUNCIL'S MODIFICATIONS PUBLISHED IN JULY 2013 AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE EXAMINER'S REPORT OF OCTOBER 2013.

2. THAT THE CIL CHARGING SCHEDULE BE BROUGHT INTO EFFECT IN RELATION TO DEVELOPMENT WHICH IS 'FIRST PERMITTED' ON OR AFTER 7 APRIL 2014.

RESOLVED:

1. That authority be delegated to the Head of Strategic Planning, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Built Environment, to prepare and publish the adopted Charging Schedule, as modified, and associated guidance notes and publicity material in advance of the Levy being brought into effect.

2. That the 'Regulation 123 List' be developed, taking account of current and expected Government advice, and submitted for consideration by Winchester Town Forum at its meeting of 12 March 2014, and approval by Cabinet no later than its meeting of 19 March 2014.

3. That officers develop a mechanism for prioritising projects for CIL funding based upon the development of a programme of infrastructure projects, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Built Environment and taking account of the content of Section 4 of the Report, with the final programme to be presented for agreement by Cabinet. Thereafter this programme shall be reviewed and up-dated annually by Cabinet.

4. That the development and implementation of a phased payments policy and mechanism for the collection of CIL payments relating to larger scale developments be delegated to the Assistant Director (Built Environment), in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Built Environment.