

COUNCIL MEETING – 20 September 2023

Questions by the Public under Council Procedure Rule 15(1)

- Each questioner will have 2 minutes in which to ask their question. The
 order of the questions to be asked is as set out below and an officer will
 pass a microphone to the questioner when their name is called by the
 Mayor.
- Please note that following the response given by the Councillor, the questioner may also ask a supplementary question which must arise directly out of the original question or the reply.
- The total time allocated for questions will normally be limited to 20 minutes. For any question which cannot be dealt with at the meeting, a written answer will be provided, normally within one working week.

	From:
1	Steve Delmege
2	Ian Tait



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QUESTION 1

From: Steve Delmege

To: The Cabinet Member for Place and Local Plan (Cllr Porter)

"Could you explain how the Winchester District CIL fund allocation process considers the small rural parishes that, due to minimal development, have minimal direct CIL funding?"

Reply

"Winchester City Council encourages applications for funding from our Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). We invite applications from community organisations to fund projects where the impact of development can be demonstrated, and proposals will support or mitigate that impact. Full details are on our website: Apply for CIL - Winchester City Council

The annual CIL bidding process invites bids from all community organisations and parish councils areas outside the South Downs National Park (which administers its own CIL collection and spending). The collection and spending of CIL is regulated by the Planning Act 2008 (Section 216 (2)) and the Community Infrastructure Levy (Amendment) (England) (No.2) Regulations 2019.

The city council has an agreed spending protocol for CIL funding, based upon the relevant regulations. The primary purpose of CIL is to fund new or improved infrastructure to either support or mitigate the effect of new development. CIL should not be used to remedy pre-existing deficiencies unless made more severe by development.

In areas where there has been minimal development, any bid must demonstrate why there is a need for CIL funding for infrastructure to be allocated by the city council. This can either be because an area with minimal development is directly impacted by an adjoining parish where development has occurred, or because a particular project would be of much wider benefit. Both of these possibilities are explored when CIL funding bids are considered."



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QUESTION 2

From: Ian Tait

To: The Cabinet Member for Climate Change (Cllr Learney)

"Which stakeholders did the Council engage with before they formulated the revised parking charges?

Reply

"The Cabinet Member for Climate Change and Officers attended the March meeting of the Winchester & District Business Strategy Group, as we were advised that this was the best meeting to attend by BID to get the full representation from the BID, chamber of commerce and other business groups across Winchester.

The proposed changes were presented and the presentation was made available for wider circulation. This included details on evening/ overnight charges to be introduced in July.

We also engaged with Hampshire county council, and through the formal legal advertising and councils decision making processes.

Following these we have continued to engage with the BID team, and businesses and charities who have contacted us, to support them to understand how the changes affect them."