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Dear [NAME]

Your comments are invited on two planning consultations:

- **Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule and**
- **Draft Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)**

If you have an interest in how the Vale of White Horse District Council can secure funding towards the provision of local facilities and infrastructure needed to support growth in the district, these planning consultations might be of interest to you.

Vale of White Horse District Council is conducting a review of its Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Charging Schedule. The Charging Schedule sets out rates that developers will be required to pay towards the delivery of infrastructure to support planned growth in the district. The money developers pay is used to fund a wide range of infrastructure such as transport schemes, schools, community facilities, health and social care facilities, parks, green spaces and leisure facilities.

As part of the review process, the council has published a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) **Draft Charging Schedule** for public consultation¹. The review of the Charging Schedule is necessary as we have adopted Part 2 of the Vale Local Plan 2031. The Plan includes new site allocations and additional infrastructure requirements and there have also been changes to the CIL Regulations.

Alongside this review, the council has reviewed and updated its **Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)**. This SPD is used to seek developer contributions through Section 106 Agreements from new development to fund infrastructure alongside CIL. We have published a revised draft of the SPD for public consultation².

Your comments are invited on both draft documents during the two four-week public consultations running simultaneously from **11 January until midnight on 8 February 2021**.

¹ In accordance with Regulation 16 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended)

² In accordance with Regulation 12 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

You can also read and make comments on the following documents, which underpinned our CIL review and provided the evidence to support the proposed new CIL rates, as set out in the Draft Charging Schedule:

- CIL Viability Assessment, April 2019
- CIL Viability Assessment Addendum, August 2020
- CIL Viability Assessment Executive Summary, October 2020
- Infrastructure Funding Gap Statement, January 2021

How to view the consultation documents and take part

All documents available for comment for both consultations can be viewed and accessed electronically via the respective consultation pages on our website.

www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/cilchargingcheduleconsultation

www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/developercontributionsSPDconsultation

Hard copies of the consultation documents have been placed at the district council offices on Milton Park, however unfortunately the offices are currently closed to the public due to the Covid-19 pandemic. If you would like to view hard copies, please contact us on **01235 422600** or email planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk so we can discuss options with you.

How to take part in the consultations

To give your views on the two planning consultations and any of the associated documents we encourage you to use the online comment forms, via these links (you can save a copy of your comments):

Draft CIL Charging Schedule:

<http://survey.southandvale.gov.uk/s/CIL-ChargingSchedule-CommentForm/>

Draft Developer Contributions SPD:

<https://survey.southandvale.gov.uk/s/DeveloperContributionsSPD-CommentForm/>

- Or via email, completing one or both comment forms (available on the respective consultation pages of our website – links above) and emailing to planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk (with 'Vale CIL Consultation' or 'Vale SPD Consultation' in subject line);
- Or via post, by completing one or both paper comment forms (available from our website or by calling 01235 422600) and posting to: 'Freepost SOUTH AND VALE CONSULTATIONS' (no other address information or stamp is needed).

If you have any questions or would like further information on how to submit comments, or if you know anyone you think would be interested in the consultations who does not have access to the internet or is self-isolating, please contact us on **01235 422600** or email planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk

If you require any of the consultation material in an alternative format (for example: large print, Braille, audio, email, Easy Read or alternative languages) please email haveyoursay@southandvale.gov.uk or call **01235 422425**.

We look forward to hearing your views.

Yours sincerely



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Data protection The Draft CIL Charging Schedule must undergo a public Examination by an independent person, before the council can formally approve it. Anyone who has submitted a response to the consultation has a right to be heard by the Examiner³ For your comments to be considered, you must provide your name and address, which we will share with the appointed Examiner and Programme Officer. In line with the CIL Regulations, you may be contacted by the Programme Officer (or where necessary the council) with relevant updates regarding the Examination or other aspects of our CIL review. We will know what format the CIL Examination will take in due course. No examination is required for the SPD.

Following the consultation period, the council must publish a consultation report⁴, which summarises all the responses received. Comments submitted by individuals will be published on our website, alongside their name. No other contact details will be published. Comments submitted by businesses and/or organisations will be published, including contact details.

Please refer to our Privacy Notice regarding how your personal data is used for this consultation, available on our website. If you would like to know more about the council's data protection registration or to find out about your personal data, please visit: whitehorsedc.gov.uk/dataprotection.

Opt out If you would prefer not to receive further updates on planning policy work being undertaken by Vale of White Horse District Council, please email haveyoursay@southandvale.gov.uk or call 01235 422425 and we will remove you from our consultation mailing list. Please note, we may still need to contact you for certain consultations if we have a legal obligation to do so.

Going online or trying to save paper? We are using online and social media more than ever and trying to reduce printing as part of our commitment to tackle the Climate Emergency. Perhaps Covid-19 has prompted changes for your online habits too, or you are interested in reducing your impact on the environment by going paper free? If you wish to change your contact preference from post to email, please email haveyoursay@southandvale.gov.uk or call us on 01235 422425 and we will update this for you.

³ Under section 212(9) of the Planning Act 2008, with rights qualified by Regulation 21(12) of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010.

⁴ In accordance with Regulation 19 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010