

Comment Form Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule – January 2021

Public Consultation in accordance with Regulation 16 and 17 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended)

Introduction

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) came into force in April 2010 and is a levy that local authorities can choose to charge on new development in their area.

Vale of White Horse District Council is undertaking a review of its current Charging Schedule (adopted in September 2017), to take into account the new site allocations and additional infrastructure requirements contained within Part 2 of the Vale Local Plan 2031 (which was adopted in October 2019) and legislative changes introduced by the Community Infrastructure Levy (Amendment) (England) (No.2) Regulations 2019.

Public Consultation on our Draft Charging Schedule (January 2021)

We are currently at the consultation stage of our review (Regulation 16 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 as amended) and are inviting comments on:

Our **Draft Charging Schedule**, which can be viewed online at: www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/cilchargingscheduleconsultation

We would also welcome comments on the following associated evidence documents (which are also available to view on the above webpage):

- CIL Viability Assessment, April 2019
- CIL Viability Assessment Addendum, August 2020
- CIL Viability Assessment Executive Summary, October 2020

These viability assessments underpinned our review and provide important background information on development viability, which has informed the proposed new CIL rates for different development typologies. The findings from these assessments have also provided the basis for defining three new CIL charging zones across the District.

Demonstrating an Infrastructure Funding Gap

The CIL Regulations 2010 require that, in order to justify charging CIL, the Council must demonstrate that there is a 'gap' between the infrastructure needs of the District and the funding that is available, including anticipated CIL income. An Infrastructure Funding Gap Statement has been prepared to demonstrate this need and is also being published alongside the Draft Charging Schedule for public consultation.

Our **Infrastructure Funding Gap Statement** can also be viewed online at: www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/cilchargingscheduleconsultation

Public Consultation on our Draft Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Alongside our CIL review, the Council is currently undertaking a review of its Developer Contributions SPD. Again, this is to take into account the adoption of Part 2 of the Vale Local Plan 2031 and changes to the CIL Regulations in 2019. The revised draft version of our Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document has been published for public consultation and can be found on the Council's website, together with a separate comments form: www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/developercontributionsSPDconsultation

Viewing Consultation Documents in Person

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 Submit Comments

Full details on how you can submit comments on any of the consultation documents can be found at the end of this comments form and on our website:

www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/cilchargingscheduleconsultation

The deadline for submitting comments is midnight on 8 February 2021.

What Happens Next?

In accordance with Section 212 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended), the Council must submit its Draft Charging Schedule for examination by an independent examiner, before the Schedule can be considered for adoption and the revised CIL rates can come into force across the District.

All representations will be forwarded to the Examiner for consideration and, in accordance with Regulation 21 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010, you are invited to indicate (by ticking the relevant box in this comments form) whether you wish to be heard by the Examiner at the Examination.

Please note: If you do not make this request before the public consultation period ends, the Regulations do not permit you to speak at the Examination.

Following the Examination, the Examiner can approve or reject the Charging Schedule, or suggest modifications which the Council must make in order to adopt it. The Charging Schedule must then be approved by Council resolution before it can come into effect.

Completing the Comment Form

This form has two parts: Part A – Personal details and Part B – Your comments

Sharing your personal details

The Draft Charging Schedule must undergo a public Examination by an independent person, before Vale of White Horse District Council can formally approve it. Anyone who has made a representation has a right to be heard by the Examiner (under section 212(9) of the Planning Act 2008, with rights qualified by Regulation 21(12) of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010).

For your comments to be considered, you must also provide your name and address, which we will share with the appointed Examiner and a Programme Officer, who acts as a point of contact between the Council, Examiner and respondents before, during and after the Examination. In line with the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010, 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.

Following the consultation period and in accordance with Regulation 19 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010, the Council must publish a consultation report, 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. If you would like to know more about the council's data protection registration or to find out about your personal data, please visit www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/dataprotection.

Any queries?

If you have any queries about this form or require it 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.

Part A – Personal details				
1. Are you responding as: (please tick one box)				
An individual	A business or organisation	on An agent		
2. Your name, postal address and email (where applicable) are required for your comments to be considered.				
	Personal Details	Agent Details (if applicable)		
Title				
Full Name				
Organisation (if relevant)				
Job Title (if relevant)				
Address Line 1				
Address Line 2				
Address Line 3				
Postal Town				
Postcode				
Telephone Number				
Email Address				

Part B – Your comments

Comments on the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule and its associated Evidence Documents

Please indicate which of the following documents you wish to comment on by ticking one box below. (If you wish to comment on more than one document and/or on more than one part of a document, please complete a separate form for each response.)		
Draft Charging Schedule, January 2021		
CIL Viability Assessment, April 2019		
CIL Viability Assessment Addendum, August 2020		
CIL Viability Assessment Executive Summary, October 2020		
Infrastructure Funding Gap Statement, January 2021		
Page/Paragraph Number (please specify where relevant)		

be helpful if you could explain what changes you are seeking):		
You may also submit any supporting documents alongside your comments - please attach to this comment form.		
Participation at the Independent Examination of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule		
4. In accordance with Regulation 21 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010, please indicate (by ticking the box below) whether you wish to be heard by the independent Examiner at the Examination of the Council's Draft Charging Schedule.		
Yes, I wish to be heard by the independent Examiner at the Examination		

Further Notification on Progress with the Examination of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule

5.	accordance with Regulation 16 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010, ease indicate (by ticking the relevant box below) whether you wish to be notified by the ouncil that:
	The Draft Charging Schedule has been submitted to the Examiner
	The recommendations of the Examiner (and the reasons for those recommendations) have been published
	The Charging Schedule has been approved by the Vale of White Horse District Council

THANK YOU FOR YOUR RESPONSE.

How to submit your comments:

Please return this form to us, either by:

- email to planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk (with Vale CIL Consultation in the subject line); or
- by post to 'Freepost SOUTH AND VALE CONSULTATIONS' (no other address information or stamp is needed).

Please note the deadline for submission of comments is **midnight on Monday 8 February 2021.**