A Community Infrastructure Levy for Swindon

Swindon Community Infrastructure Levy Statement of Consultation -Addendum

(Draft Charging Schedule consultation update)

In accordance with: Regulation 15 and 16 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended)

Dated 5th July 2013



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1 Purpose

This document has been produced as an addendum to the Swindon CIL Statement of Consultation. Its purpose is to provide an update of the Draft Charging Schedule (DCS) consultation stage of adopting a Community Infrastructure Levy 'CIL' for Swindon.

2 Background

In order for CIL to be adopted, it is required by the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) 'the CIL Regulations' that the Council holds a minimum of two rounds of public consultation. The first round of consultation to be held is concerned with the Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule. The second round of consultation is on the Draft Charging Schedule to which this document relates.

Regulations 15 and 16 of the CIL Regulations specify the consultation bodies that the Council must consult for the DCS. The Council has consulted beyond the statutory minimum requirement to ensure that a wider range of consultation bodies were given the opportunity to make representations. These consultation bodies include parish councils, community groups and organisations, representatives from the affordable housing sector, local businesses and the development sector that operates locally.

3 The Draft Charging Schedule Consultation

Before submitting the DCS for Examination, the Council, as Charging Authority (CA), is required to publish for consultation the DCS along with the relevant evidence on infrastructure costs, other funding sources and economic viability. The purpose of this round of consultation is to get the opinions of local communities, developers and businesses on the final proposed charging schedule. This is the final stage of consultation before the Examination of the DCS, unless further modifications are required, prior to examination. Any further modifications would be subject to a separate consultation/notification process.

Who, when and how SBC consulted on the Draft Charging Schedule

The consultation period for the DCS was held from 4th April 2013 until 30th May 2013.

The CIL Regulations require all responses to be made in writing and received within the consultation period. In accordance with the CIL Regulations, the CA published a Statement of The Representations Procedure which included the places at which the published documents could be inspected during the consultation period. The CIL Regulations required the representations procedure to contain specific information including the fact that any person making representations may request, in writing within the consultation period, the right to be heard by the Examiner. The methods of consultation used are detailed below;

(i) Public Notice in the local press (Swindon Advertiser) The publication of a public notice in the Swindon Advertiser on 4th April 2013 initiated the start of the consultation. A copy of the public notice has been retained as proof of publication and submitted to the Examiner as a further supporting document (Appendix 1). The public notice for the DCS contained all the relevant statutory requirements with respect to where the DCS was available to be viewed (both electronically and in hard copy) and how representations could be made.

(ii) Letter and e-mail notification

Notification by either letter (**Appendix 2**) or e-mail (**Appendix 3a-3c**)) was sent to the following:

- The statutory consultation bodies (see Appendix 4) as specified in the CIL Regulations at Regulations 15 and 16 (see Appendix 3b and 3c for email);
- Each respondent to the PDCS consultation;
- The consultation bodies specified in the SCI; and
- All those other companies, organisations and individuals in the development sector that the Council considered may have an interest in CIL.

All statutory consultation bodies were sent a copy of the DCS and a Statement of The Representations Procedure by e-mail or paper copy (as appropriate). Those non-statutory consultees notified by e-mail also received the same documents.

Those non-statutory consultees notified by letter received a copy of the Representations Procedure only.

 Swindon Borough Council Members Bulletin
 A notification of the DCS consultation period was posted in the Swindon Borough Council Members Bulletin in Bulletin 656 on 4th April 2013.

Locations for Draft Charging Schedule Document Inspection

The DCS and relevant evidence is available for public inspection at the following locations.

- The Council's principal office
 A paper copy of the DCS and relevant evidence is held at Swindon Borough Council's One Stop Shop reception in Wat Tyler House, Beckhampton Street, Swindon, SN1 2JH.
- Swindon Borough Council website An electronic copy of the DCS and relevant evidence is available on the Council's website by visiting <u>www.swindon.gov.uk/cil</u>.

(iii) Local libraries

A paper copy of the DCS and relevant evidence is held for public inspection on request at every library in the Borough (except Old Town).

Outcome of the DCS Consultation

The Council received 23 responses to the DCS consultation, including representations made by developers, Parish Councils, groups representing the Swindon business community, affordable housing providers, a utilities company, environmental groups, supermarkets, an adjoining authority and a care/retirement home provider.

Representations were received electronically or by letter, and in some instances both.

All 23 representations were made within the consultation period.

The key issues raised in the representations have been outlined in the Regulation 19(b) Statement. The requests arising from the 23 representations are outlined below.

Requests to be Heard	Notification of submission	Notification of Examination dates	Notification of Examiner's recommendations	Notification of approval of Charging Schedule	Notification of further CIL consultations
1	5	1	3	3	2

How have responses to the Draft Charging Schedule consultation been managed?

The representations have been collated and an overview of the comments made has been prepared. Where appropriate, a response from the CA has been prepared. Both the original representations and the overview will be published on the Council's website and will be submitted to the Examiner as additional evidence to accompany the other DCS submission documents.

Records have been kept of those individuals or organisations that have requested to be notified of progress and requested to be heard by the examiner. The CA will follow all relevant statutory processes in respect of these.

Prior to submission for Examination, the Council contacted respondents where it considered representation comments indicated that additional clarification may be required. The purpose of this contact was to invite them to participate in either a meeting or conference call to discuss the contents of their representation and the Council's approach to rate setting. Meetings/conference calls were arranged with the following respondents:

- DCS Rep 02 Colliers International (acting on behalf of MacTaggart and Mickel) conference call took place on 18th June 2013
- DCS Rep 11 Tetlow King (acting on behalf of South West HARP Planning Consortium) - meeting took place on 20th June 2013
- DCS Rep 13 WYG (acting on behalf of Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd) meeting took place on 25th June 2013
- DCS Rep 10 Wroughton Parish Council meeting took place on 26th June 2013
- DCS Rep 22 The Planning Bureau (acting on behalf of McCarthy and Stone Retirement Lifestyles Ltd) - meeting took place on 27th June 2013
- DCS Rep 21 David Lock Associates (acting on behalf of Hallam Land Management, Hannick Homes and Taylor Wimpey) - meeting took place on 1st July 2013
- DCS Rep 18 Haydon Wick Parish Council meeting took place on 3rd July 2013

Minutes were taken at each meeting and subsequently agreed between the parties and will be submitted as additional information to support the Examination. Not every respondent contacted by the Council for a meeting or conference call felt it necessary to discuss their representation further, and in some instances no final decision was made by respondent within the timeframe offered.

Where the Council felt a formal discussion was unnecessary but further correspondence was still appropriate, respondents were sent a letter addressing some of the concerns and queries raised in their representation. Letters were sent to the following respondents:

- DCS Rep 03 Savills (acting on behalf of Thames Water)
- DCS Rep 15 Deloitte (acting on behalf of Universities Superannuation Group Ltd)
- DCS Rep 16 Deloitte (acting on behalf of Science Museum Group)
- DCS Rep 14 Vale of White Horse District Council

Appendix 1

Swindon CIL Draft Charging Schedule Public Notice, 4th April 2013



Appendix 2

Draft Charging Schedule 'Non- statutory' standard consultation letter

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< Name > < Address 1 > < Address 2 > < Address 3 >	Please ask for: Direct Dial No: Email: Website: Our Ref: Date:	Sarah Screen / David Haney 01793 466397 / 466289 <u>cil@swindon.gov.uk</u> www.swindon.gov.uk CIL DCS Consultation 2013 2 nd April 2013

Dear < salutation >

Re: A Community Infrastructure Levy 'CIL' for Swindon CIL Regulation 16 Public Consultation: Swindon CIL Draft Charging Schedule

4th April 2013 to 30th May 2013 (closing at 5pm)

The Community Infrastructure Levy 'CIL' is a new charge which authorities in England and Wales can levy on new development in their area. CIL is the Government's preferred method for development to pay towards the infrastructure required to support new development in an area. Examples of infrastructure include the transport network, education establishments, utilities, open spaces such as parks and gardens, emergency services, health and community facilities and waste management.

The CIL will largely replace Swindon's current use of tariff charges secured through the Section 106 obligations. The use of section 106 obligations will remain but with restrictions on its use and application.

Swindon Borough Council has reached the second stage of consultation in adopting a Community Infrastructure Levy 'CIL' for Swindon. The Swindon CIL Draft Charging Schedule 'DCS' sets out the proposed levy rates that it proposes to charge for different types of development within specific areas of the Borough.

For an 8 week period commencing on 4th April 2013 the Council is inviting representations from Parish and Community Councils, the development sector, the

business community and any person or organisation that may have an interest in CIL on its proposals set out its Draft Charging Schedule (DCS).

During the consultation period the DCS Charging Schedule, its relevant evidence and the Representations Procedure can be viewed at <u>www.swindon.gov.uk/cil</u>.

A paper copy of the DCS Charging Schedule, its relevant evidence, and Representations Procedure can be inspected at the following locations:

- Borough Council's Principle Office at Wat Tyler House Reception, Beckhampton Street, Swindon, SN1 2JH during its normal opening hours of 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday excluding Public Holidays; and
- 2. All libraries within the Borough during their normal opening hours.

Copies of the CIL documents may be purchased from the Council by contacting the CIL Project Team.

Representations on this CIL DCS consultation must be made in accordance with the published Representations Procedure (a copy of which is attached to this letter). To be taken into account all representations must be received by 5pm on Thursday 30th May 2013.

Should you have any questions about any aspect of the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact the CIL Project Team through either Sarah Screen (01793 466397) or David Haney (01793 466289) or by email to <u>cil@swindon.gov.uk</u>.

Yours faithfully

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Richard Bell Head of Planning - Service Delivery

Attachment:

1. Swindon CIL Draft Charging Schedule Statement of Representations Procedure 2013

Appendix 3a Draft Charging Schedule 'Non-Statutory' standard consultation email

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 Swindon CIL Draft Charging Schedule Public Consultation 2013

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Appendix 3b

Draft Charging Schedule Statutory Consultees (Neighbouring Authorities) consultation email

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Appendix 3c

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Appendix 4

List of statutory consultation bodies for Swindon Borough Council in accordance with the CIL Regulations, Regulation 15

Swindon Borough Council Parish Councils

Bishopstone and Hinton Parva Parish Council Blunsdon St Andrew Parish Council Castle Eaton Parish Council Chiseldon Parish Council Covingham Parish Council Hannington Parish Council Haydon Wick Parish Council Highworth Town Council Inglesham (Parish Meeting) Liddington Parish Council South Marston Parish Council Stanton Fitzwarren Parish Council Stratton St. Margaret Parish Council Wanborough Parish Council Wroughton Parish Council

Wiltshire Association of Local Councils - Swindon Area Committee

Adjoining District, County and Unitary Councils

Wiltshire Council Vale of White Horse District Council Oxfordshire County Council Cotswold District Council Gloucestershire County Council

All responsible regional authorities now abolished.