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#### 1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) was introduced under the Planning Act 2008 and is defined in the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended). (1) The Local authorities in England and Wales can elect to prepare and adopt a CIL to assist in funding the infrastructure needed to support planned growth. The CIL is a charge, expressed in pounds sterling (£) per square metre, that is levied on the net additional floorspace created by most new development.
- 1.2 The Council went out for consultation on a Draft Charging Schedule between Friday 11 January and Friday 22 February 2019 and 33 responses were received. These comments have been analysed and key issues identified and have resulted in minor changes to the Draft Charging Schedule. (2) The Charging Schedule was Examined on 23rd October 2010 and approved by Full Council on 8th July 2020.
- 1.3 The Harrogate District Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule will come into effect on 1 October 2020.
- 1.4 The purpose of this document is to set out Harrogate Borough Council's CIL Charging Schedule. This document provides a brief explanation of the CIL and the process that is required for the council to introduce it.

## 2 The Charging and Collecting Authority

- 2.1 Harrogate Borough Council, as the local planning authority, is classed as a charging authority and may therefore charge the CIL in respect of development that takes place in Harrogate District. (3)
- 2.2 The collecting authority for the finance generated by CIL will typically be Harrogate Borough Council, as the charging authority. However, where North Yorkshire County Council grants planning permission for development in the Harrogate district it will be the county council who will be the collecting authority. Where the county council is the collecting authority for a development it will pass the CIL payment on to the charging authority, minus any reasonable administrative expenses incurred in collecting the CIL, on the charging authority's behalf (i.e Harrogate Borough Council). (5)

## 3 What development will be liable to pay CIL?

- 3.1 As a general rule, CIL may be payable on development which creates net additional floor space, where the gross internal area of new build is 100 square metres or more. However that limit does not apply to new houses or flats, and a charge can be levied on a single house or flat of any size, but see immediately below for details of exclusions, exemptions and relief from the levy that may be available:
  - New buildings or extensions under 100 square metres of gross internal floor space which does not involve the creation of a new dwelling;
  - Dwellings built by 'self builders' (where an exemption has been applied for and obtained and in regard to a self build home or residential annex, a Commencement Notice served prior to the commencement of development <sup>(6)</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Regulations amending elements of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) came into force on 1st September 2019

<sup>2</sup> see Community Infrastructure Levy : Draft Charging Schedule Key Issues August 2019

<sup>3</sup> Under the terms of Part 11 of the Planning Act 2008.

Regulation 10(4) of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended).

In line with Regulation 76 of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended).

see Regulation 7, and section 56(4) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, for definition of commencement of development - Regulations 42A, 42B, 54A and 67(1A) inserted by the 2014 regulations

- The change of use, conversion or subdivision of a building that does not involve an increase in floorspace;
- The creation of a mezzanine floor within a building;
- Temporary development permitted for a limited period;
- Buildings into which people go only intermittently for the purpose of inspecting or maintaining fixed plant or machinery;
- Vacant buildings brought back into the same use;
- Structures which are not buildings, such as pylons and wind turbines;
- Social housing that meets the relief criteria set out in regulation 49 or 49A of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended) (7)
- Development by charities for charitable purposes (including Community Land Trusts)
- 3.2 CIL is charged on the gross internal floorspace<sup>(9)</sup> of new development. Where planning permission is granted for a development that involves the extension or demolition and then rebuild of a building in lawful use the level of CIL payable will be calculated based on the net increase in floorspace. This means that the existing floorspace contained in the building to be extended or demolished will be deducted from the total floorspace of the new development when calculating the CIL liability. <sup>(10)</sup>
- Where a planning permission is phased, each phase of the development is treated as if it were a separate chargeable development for levy purposes <sup>(11)</sup> This may apply to schemes which have full planning permission as well as to outline permissions. <sup>(12)</sup> See paragraph 6.1 <sup>(13)</sup>
- The Council will have the ability to claw back any CIL relief where a development no longer qualifies for that relief within a period of 3 years for self-build and residential annexes and seven years for all other development from the commencement of the development. For example, should a charity develop a building for charitable purposes and subsequently sell the building to the open market within seven years then the Council will be able to claw back the CIL that would have been charged on the building had it been originally used for private use.
- 3.5 The Regulations also allow charging authorities to permit discretionary relief from CIL in certain circumstances (e.g. where a reduced or nil payment may be accepted). The cases for relief are likely to be rare, but can include the following:

This may include affordable housing (defined as social rented and intermediate housing) provided through a local housing authority, registered provider or charitable body, or dwellings tied to an assured agricultural occupancy.

Need to meet the relief criteria set out in regulations 43 to 48 and where an exemption has been obtained, and a Commencement (of development) Notice served, prior to the commencement of the development. Where planning permission has been granted under section 73 of the TCPA 1990, the chargeable development is the most recently commenced or recommenced chargeable development

An in-use building is defined by Regulation 40(11) of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended) as one which "(i) is a relevant building, and (ii) contains a part that has been in lawful use for a continuous period of at least six months within the period of three years ending on the day planning permission first permits the chargeable development" Regulation 40(11) defines a "relevant building" as a "building which is situated on the relevant land on the day planning permission first permits the chargeable development"

<sup>10</sup> See Regulation 40 (as amended by the 2014 CIL Regulations)

see Regulation 8(3A) as amended by the 2014 Regulations

<sup>12</sup> Regulation 48 of the CIL regulations

<sup>13</sup> More advice can be found in the National Planning Practice Guidance

- Development by charities for investment activities from which the profits will be applied for charitable purposes (as defined by CIL Regulation 44);
- Development by charities where relief would normally constitute State aid (as defined in CIL Regulation 45); and
- Where the Council considers there are exceptional circumstances to justify relief provided the conditions set out in Regulation 55 are met. These are that a section 106 agreement must exist on the planning permission permitting the chargeable development, the charging authority must consider that paying the full levy would have an unacceptable impact on the development's economic viability and the relief must not constitute state aid.
- Given these requirements, most development will not be eligible for charitable or exceptional circumstances relief. However, the Borough Council will be prepared to consider applications for relief. In line with best practice, should the circumstances arise the Council would issue an Exceptional Circumstances Relief Policy in line with the CIL Regulations once the Charging Schedule has been implemented. It should be noted that the power to offer relief can be deactivated at short notice once a Charging Schedule is in place, in line with the CIL Regulations.

#### 4 How the chargeable amount will be calculated

4.1 The amount of CIL a development is liable to pay will be calculated according to Regulation 40 of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended by the 2014 Regulations). The method involves multiplying the relevant CIL rate for the type/location of the development by the net additional floorspace – and factoring in an inflation measure to allow for changes in building costs over time. A summary of the method is set out below:

CIL rate x Net additional new build floorspace x Inflation measure

- 4.2 The inflation measure used will be the national 'All-in Tender Price Index' published by the Building Cost Information Service (BCIS) of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. The inflation measure involves dividing the Index costs from the year planning permission is granted, by the Index costs from the year the Charging Schedule is adopted. Full details of the method are set out in the Regulations.
- 4.3 The CIL Regulations specify that where the overall chargeable amount on a scheme is less than £50, it is deemed to be zero. (14)

## 5 Evidence to support the CIL

- The development of the Charging Schedule has been informed by appropriate evidence which includes:
  - The Harrogate District Local Plan 2014 2035
  - Whole Plan Viability Assessment (WPV) (Oct 2016)
  - The Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) (Jan 2018 and August 2018)
  - Local Plan Viability Update and CIL Viability Assessment (May 2018)

- Representations to the Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule consultation
- Representations to the Draft Charging Schedule consultation
- The Local Plan specifies the amount and location of new development that is to take place over the plan period to 2035. Policy GS1 and Policy GS2 establishes the approach to the distribution of housing and employment land across the District. It sets out that over the Plan period the Council will make provision for 13,377 homes and a minimum of 40 hectares of employment land <sup>(15)</sup>. The need for new homes and jobs will be met as far as possible in those settlements that are well related to the key public transport corridor. The scale of development reflects the settlement's role and character, its relationship to the public transport corridor and the need to maintain or enhance services and facilities in rural villages and have regard to the capacity of infrastructure within the settlement and the time frame for any necessary investment and improvement. A broad location for growth is also identified for a new settlement in the Green Hammerton/Cattal area.
- The Local Plan makes allocations of land for housing and employment uses that reflect the housing and employment land targets and settlement hierarchy set out in Policies GS1 and GS2. The document also sets out policies to protect the character and heritage of the District and ensure development is of an appropriate scale, type and design.
- In order to introduce the CIL, local planning authorities, as the charging authority, have to demonstrate that there is a shortfall in funding between the expected total cost of infrastructure needed to support development over the plan period and the level of funding likely to be forthcoming from mainstream sources of funding. The council's Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) identifies the key infrastructure requirements needed to support the level of planned growth in the District. Appendix 2 to this report shows that there is a Funding Gap.
- Testing the economic viability of development is central to the CIL charge setting process and is required to justify the introduction of the CIL to an authority area. Authorities must ensure that the sites and the scale of development identified in the Local Plan is not threatened. To this end the Council commissioned HDH Planning & Development to prepare a Whole Plan Viability Assessment for the district. This viability assessment has been prepared in line with Government guidance on the preparation of the CIL contained in Planning Practice Guidance and was completed in September 2016.
- 5.6 The Whole Plan Viability Assessment assesses the economic viability of the development of a wide range of land uses in the district including housing, office, industry, retail, hotels, community facilities and other sui generis uses, and maps variations in viability across the district. The assessment takes account of the development costs arising from emerging planning policy and regulatory requirements (e.g. affordable housing, sustainable construction & design and open space provision). The assessment also makes an allowance for residual S106/278 contributions for measures that are required to make development acceptable and are directly related in scale and kind to the proposed development. A stakeholder event was held in June 2016 with local property agents and developers to discuss the key assumptions that underpin the wider whole plan viability assessment undertaken to support the preparation of the Local Plan and changes made to these assumptions where considered appropriate.
- 5.7 The scope for CIL was not considered in the 2016 Whole Plan Viability assessment and therefore a Local Plan Viability Update and CIL Viability Assessment has also been prepared (May 2018) which forms an annex to the 2016 study. The general methodology and assumptions have not changed. A summary of the conclusions is as follows:

- small sites below the affordable housing threshold have a capacity to bear CIL on both greenfield and brownfield sites
- the brownfield sites that are subject to the affordable housing requirements do not have the capacity to bear CIL
- the greenfield sites within the Ripon area (modelled as adjacent to Ripon) do not have capacity to bear CIL when subject to a 40% affordable housing target
- the Strategic Sites, when it is assumed that they will be subject to both a 40% affordable housing target and their expected strategic infrastructure and mitigation costs, do not have a capacity to bear CIL
- the greenfield sites that are not adjacent to Ripon and that are subject to the 40% affordable housing requirement do have a significant capacity to bear CIL
- A basic principle of the CIL is that where it is economically viable to do so, development should be charged. The CIL is not to be used as a policy tool to encourage certain types of development over others by applying a lower or zero rate where development is viable. Differential rates can be applied to different types of development, or to different geographical areas, based on the outcome of the economic viability assessment. Where it has been demonstrated that it would not be viable to apply a CIL charge on a certain type of development, or in a particular geographic area, either a zero CIL rate or a base rate can be applied.
- The Regulations recognise that the CIL charge may make some development unviable and advises that CIL should not be set at such a low rate as to ensure that every development remains viable. CIL rates should also not be set at the very margin of viability, in part so that they may remain robust over time as circumstances change. In setting the levy rates the Council has sought to strike an appropriate balance between the desirability of funding from CIL in whole, or in part, the actual and estimated total cost of infrastructure required to support the development of its area, taking into account other actual and expected sources of funding; and, the potential effects, taken as a whole, of the imposition of CIL on the economic viability of development across its area.

## 6 Liability and collection of the CIL

- The Levy applies to new development for which planning permission is granted after the Charging Schedule has taken effect, and the amount of CIL payable (the 'Chargeable Amount') is calculated on the day that development is first permitted (which can be the day on which planning permission is granted, if it is granted without conditions or reserved matters being attached, or the day on which the last pre-commencement condition or reserved matters is agreed/approved). Where an outline planning permission permits development to be implemented in phases, each phase of the development is a separate chargeable development. Where planning permission has been granted under section 73 of the TCPA 1990, the chargeable development is the most recently commenced or recommenced chargeable development. (16)
- 6.2 Liability to pay CIL for qualifying development will arise at the time planning permission is granted. Payment of CIL is due from the date the chargeable development commences, with payment normally required within 60 days. The liable party is required to notify the collecting authority about the start date of the development prior to commencement.
- Harrogate Borough Council recognises the implications that a large CIL liability required at the commencement of a development project could have on cash flows and the ability to raise finance. Therefore the Council has published an Instalments Policy (Appendix 4) alongside the Charging Schedule to help inform representation made on the schedule.

## 7 Payment in kind

Under the Regulations charging authorities may, at their own discretion, consider accepting land and/or infrastructure as payment in kind in lieu of CIL. This will only normally be considered for land in excess of that needed to deliver infrastructure required as a direct result of the permitted development (e.g. if the development permitted requires the provision of a children's play area on-site, that land will not be accepted as payment in lieu of CIL). With regards infrastructure, where the investment of levy receipts in a project has already been planned, there may be time, cost and efficiency benefits in accepting completed infrastructure from the party liable for payment of the levy. The value of land or infrastructure for in lieu payment will be determined by an independent valuer.

## 8 Relationship between the CIL and planning obligations

- 8.1 The CIL is intended to help fund infrastructure to support the development of an area rather than making an individual planning application acceptable in planning terms, which is the purpose of a planning obligation (Section 106 agreement). The CIL will not fully replace planning obligations but it is complementary measure for infrastructure delivery.
- 8.2 Planning obligations will continue to be the primary mechanism for securing affordable housing through the planning system. In addition, they will still be used to mitigate the direct impacts of the development proposed, to make it acceptable in planning terms.
- 8.3 The CIL Regulations as amended in 2019 allow the use of funds from both the Levy and planning obligations to pay for the same piece of infrastructure. The Council is required to publish a list of infrastructure it intends to fund via CIL called an Infrastructure List before 31st December 2020 and an Annual Infrastructure Funding Statement on or after 31st December 2020.

## 9 Spending the CIL

- 9.1 The Council is required to publish a list of infrastructure that CIL revenue can be used to fund (wholly or partly). The list does not identify priorities for spending within it, or any apportionment of the CIL funds across the district, and does not signify a commitment from the Council to fund the projects listed through the CIL. The Infrastructure List is set out in Appendix 5.
- 9.2 As part of the Local Plan the Council considered the infrastructure requirements required to support delivery of the Local Plan. The infrastructure requirements are based on this as well as emerging Council priorities. The infrastructure requirements are set out in the Infrastructure Delivery Plan which details the infrastructure necessary to deliver the Local Plan. It is important to note that the CIL is not meant to replace mainstream sources of funding for infrastructure and will not cover the full costs of all of the infrastructure projects identified in the Delivery Plan. The Council will work closely with the relevant infrastructure and service providers to discuss and deliver the funding for infrastructure projects.
- 9.3 The Regulations also allow 5% of the CIL collected each year to be used to pay for the administrative expenses incurred by the charging authority. The Borough Council anticipates that it is likely to seek an element of reimbursement, to cover the costs associated with collection, implementation and monitoring of the CIL. This will be accounted for in the Council's monitoring of the expenditure of the CIL.

## 10 Neighbourhood funds

- A local council (i.e. parish/town council) with an adopted neighbourhood development plan will receive 25% of the CIL receipts generated by development within the neighbourhood plan area (provided that the development was granted planning permission after the neighbourhood plan was adopted) to spend on local infrastructure. In areas without a neighbourhood development plan in place: the local council will receive 15% of CIL receipts generated by development in the area (with a cap on the CIL revenue the charging authority has a duty to give local councils equal to £100 per Council tax dwelling in the area in each financial year).
- This 'Neighbourhood Fund' will be passed directly to parish/town councils where development occurs, and these locally elected councils will be directly accountable for its expenditure and reporting. Where an area does not have a town or parish council the charging authority will hold the neighbourhood fund on the area's behalf and spend the money in line with the neighbourhood's needs guided by the results of appropriate local consultation.
- 10.3 Parish/town councils are not restricted to spending neighbourhood funds on the infrastructure projects identified in the charging authority's Infrastructure List and are not required to prepare their own list of infrastructure projects. However, neighbourhood funds must be spent on:
  - 1. The provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure (e.g. roads, schools, open space, village halls etc.); or
  - 2. Anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area.
- 10.4 Following the approval of the Charging Schedule the Council intends to produce guidance for town/parish councils on all aspects of the CIL process, including what information will need to be reported annually on the use of neighbourhood funds.
- Amendments to the CIL regulations in 2013 allow the charging authority to require the repayment of neighbourhood funds that remain unspent 5 years after they were transferred to a local council. However, in line with the current practice with commuted sums for open space and village hall provision the Council will not require the return of unspent CIL funds passed to local council's until 10 years after they were transferred. Any returned funds are placed in the pooled CIL fund to be spent on district-wide infrastructure projects.

## 11 Reporting

- 11.1 Following approval of the Charging Schedule the Council will publish a CIL Annual Monitoring Report on the operation of the levy over each financial year. (19) This will form part of the Council's Annual Monitoring Report and will include the following information:
  - How much CIL monies have been collected;
  - How much of that money has been spent;
  - Information on how CIL monies have been spent, including on which infrastructure projects, and how much has been used to cover administrative costs; and,
  - The amount of CIL retained at the end of the reporting year.
- Parish and town councils who receive CIL monies will have a duty to report to the District Council annually on how they have used their Neighbourhood Funds.

<sup>18</sup> Regulation 59E of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended).

As required by Regulation 62 of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended by the 2013 Regulations to include the neighbourhood share and the 2014 Regulations).

## 12 Monitoring and review of the CIL

12.1 The Council recognises the need to closely monitor the proposed CIL charges, given that changes in the property market, construction costs and changes in local or national policy over time can impact on development viability. Following the approval of the CIL Charging Schedule the Council intends to review the CIL every three years or earlier, if necessary, in response to significant changes in local development viability.

## **Appendix 1 The Charging Schedule**

# HARROGATE BOROUGH COUNCIL : COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) RATES

This Charging Schedule has been prepared in accordance with Part 11 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended by Part 6 of the Localism Act 2011) and the Community Infrastructure Regulations 2010 (as amended). It is supported by local evidence regarding infrastructure requirements and the impact of the CIL on the viability of development in the District, as set out in the background reports. These can be found on the Council's website as part of the CIL evidence base.

#### **Levy Rates**

The rates below will be charged against the gross internal floor area of:

- All new dwellings;
- All other built development exceeding 100 square metres in size; and
- The net additional floor area of all replacement development (after the area of demolished buildings in lawful use has been deducted) where it exceeds 100 square metres.

Development Type	Maximum CIL Rate (per sq.m)
Residential	
Zone 1 and sites of 10 units or fewer in all areas	£50
Zone 2	£0
Zone 3	£0
Sheltered Housing	£60
Sheltered Housing in Zone 2	£40
<b>Employment Development</b>	
Distribution	£20
Retail development	
Shops - Central Harrogate	£120
Shops - Other - Zone 1 and Zone 3	£40
Shops - Other - Zone	£0
Supermarkets (over 2500 sq m gross)	£120
Small Supermarkets (under 2500 sq m gross)	£40
Retail Warehouse Retail warehouses	£120
All Other development	£0

Table 1.1 Recommended rates of CIL

The Zones are defined as follows:

Zone 1 - All areas that are not in Zone 2 or Zone 3

Zone 2 - The main urban areas of Harrogate, Boroughbridge, Knaresborough, Masham, Pateley Bridge and Ripon. The allocations that are adjacent to the main urban area of Ripon.

Zone 3 - The strategic sites at Boroughbridge (B4, B12 and B21), Green Hammerton/Cattal New Settlement, West Harrogate (H49, H51, H70 allocations and H50, H46, H36, H45 commitments), Manse Farm (K25 allocation and K31 commitment) and Ripon (R24, R25, R27)

#### **Definitions**

Residential - excludes purpose-built rental or static caravan units within holiday park or holiday resort

**Sheltered Housing** - whilst the term Sheltered Housing is a generic term, CIL will only be applied to those developments falling under the 'Age-restricted general market housing' and 'Retirement living or sheltered housing' types of older persons housing included within Paragraph 010 (Reference ID:63-010-20190626) of the NPPG which are detailed below. The 'Extra care housing or housing-with-care' and 'Residential care homes and nursing homes' types of older persons housing will not be liable for CIL.

- Age-restricted general market housing: this type of housing is generally for people aged 55 and over and the active elderly. It may include some shared amenities such as communal gardens, but does not include support or care services
- Retirement living and sheltered housing: this usually consists of purpose-built flats
  or bungalows with limited communal facilities such as a lounge, laundry room and guest
  room. It does not generally provide care services, but provides some support to enable
  residents to live independently. This can include 24 hour on-site assistance (alarm)
  and a warden or house manager
- Extra care housing or housing-with-care: This usually consists of purpose-built or adapted flats or bungalows with a medium to high level or care available if required, through an onsite care agency registered through the Care Quality Commission (CQC). Residents are able to live independently with 24 hour access to support services and staff, and meals are also available. There are often extensive communal areas, such as space to socialise or a wellbeing centre. In some cases, these developments are known as retirement communities or villages the intention is for residents to benefit from varying levels of care as time progresses
- Residential care homes and nursing homes: These have individual rooms within a
  residential building and provide a high level of care meeting all activities of daily living.
  They do not usually include support services for independent living. This type of housing
  can also include dementia care homes.

#### **Distribution** - Storage or Distribution

**Supermarkets** - shopping destinations in their own right where weekly food shopping needs are met and which can also include non-food floorspace as part of the overall mix. The majority of custom at supermarkets arrives by car, using the large adjacent car parks provided

**Retail Warehouses** - large stores specialising in the sale of comparison goods (such as carpets, furniture and electrical goods) DIY items and other ranges of goods catering mainly for car borne customers.

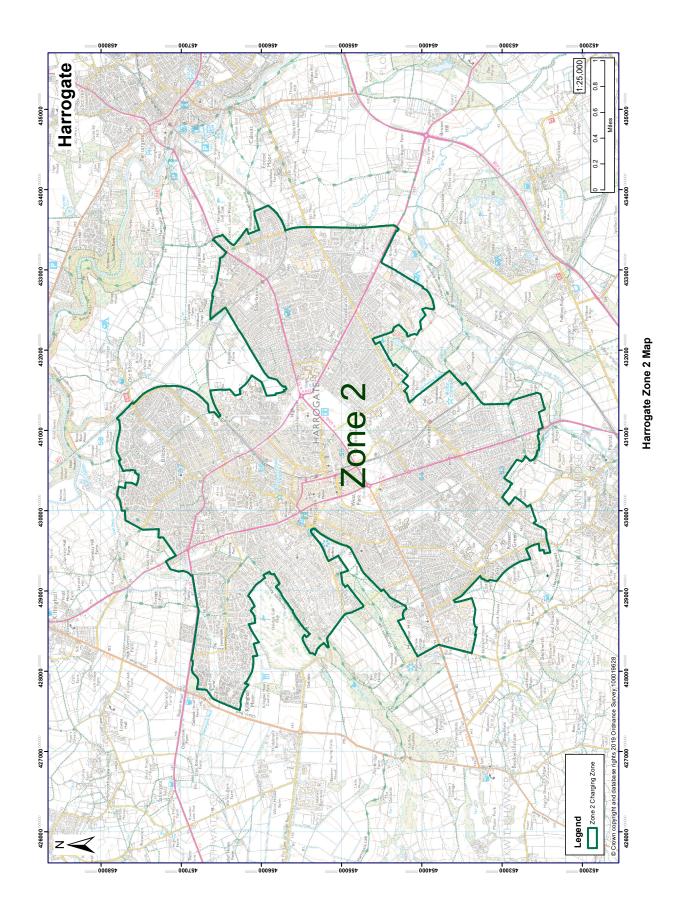
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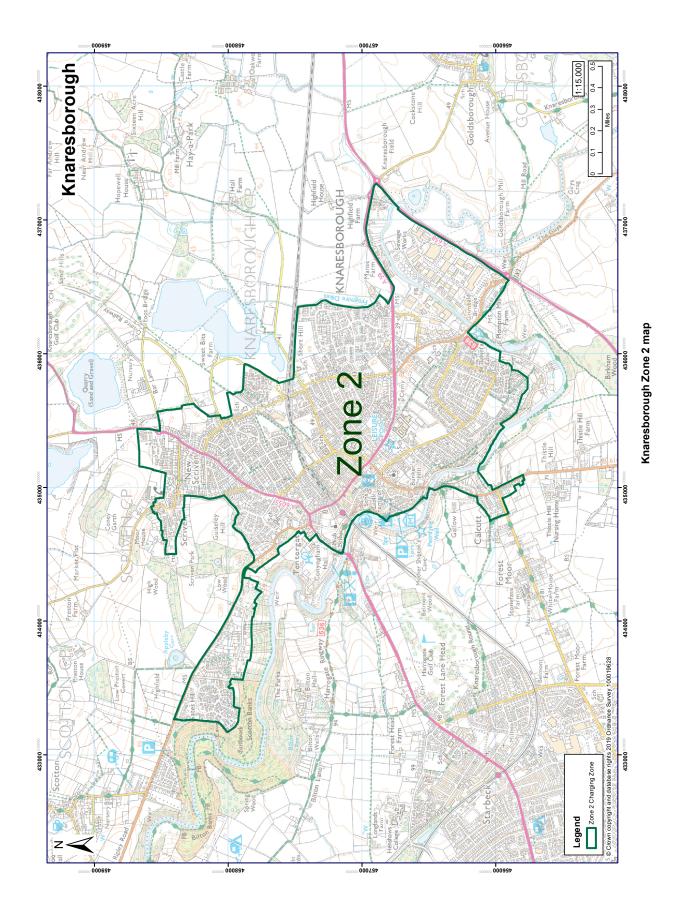
In accordance with the Regulations, where applicable, the Council will issue a Liability Notice that states the chargeable amount on the granting of planning permission or as soon as possible after the grant of planning permission. The Council will calculate the amount of CIL chargeable using the formulae set out in Part 5 of the CIL Regulations (as amended).

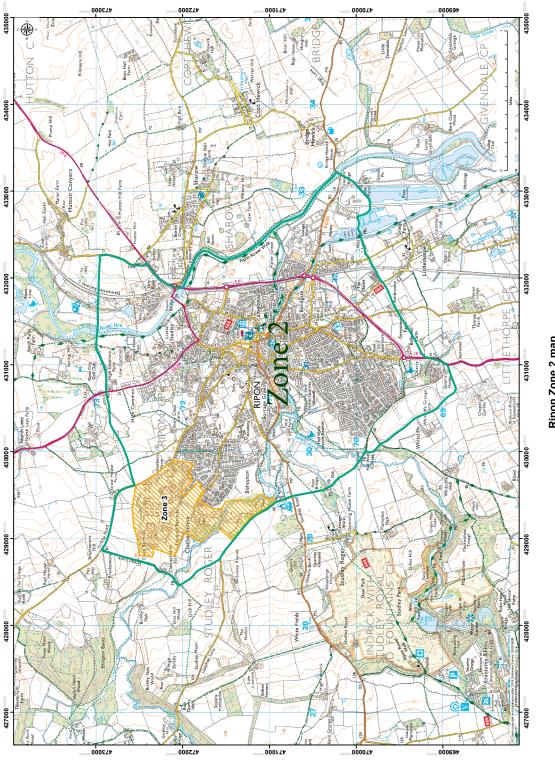
Full details of the way in which the CIL will be calculated, together with an overview of the CIL and the full Regulations can be found on the Government website.

#### **Charge Zones**

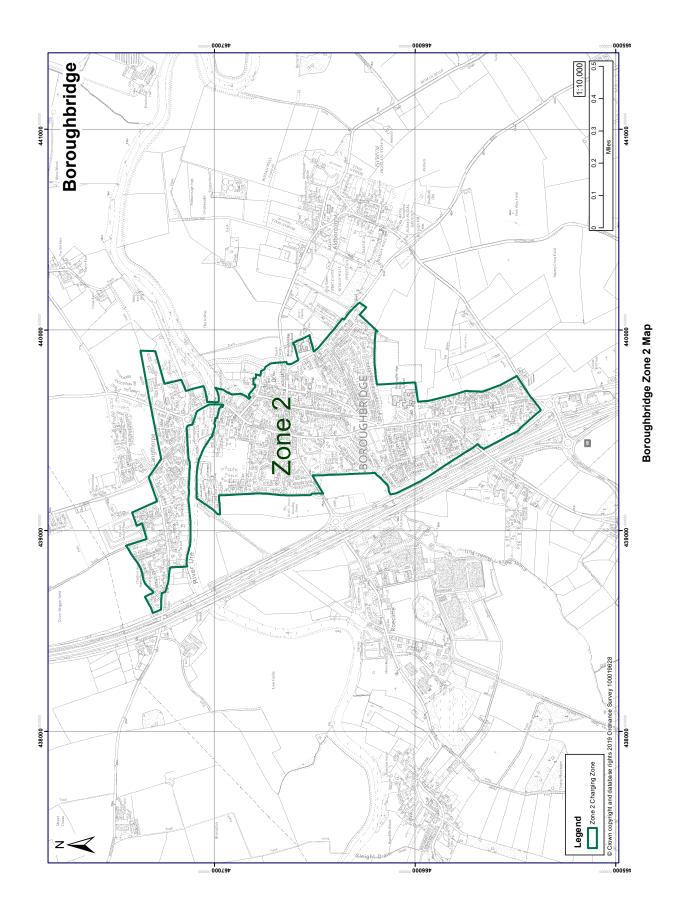
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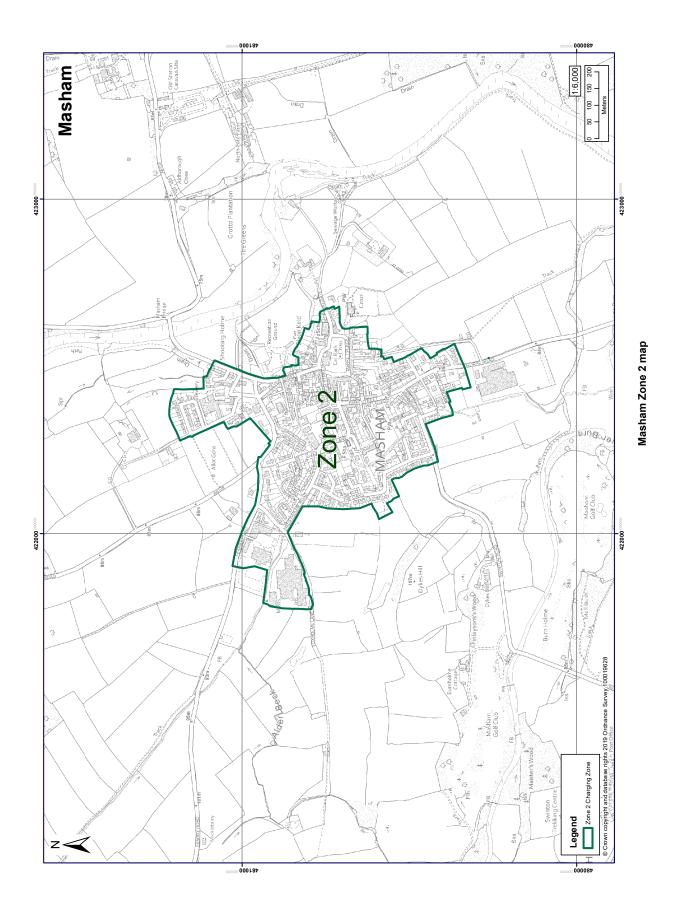


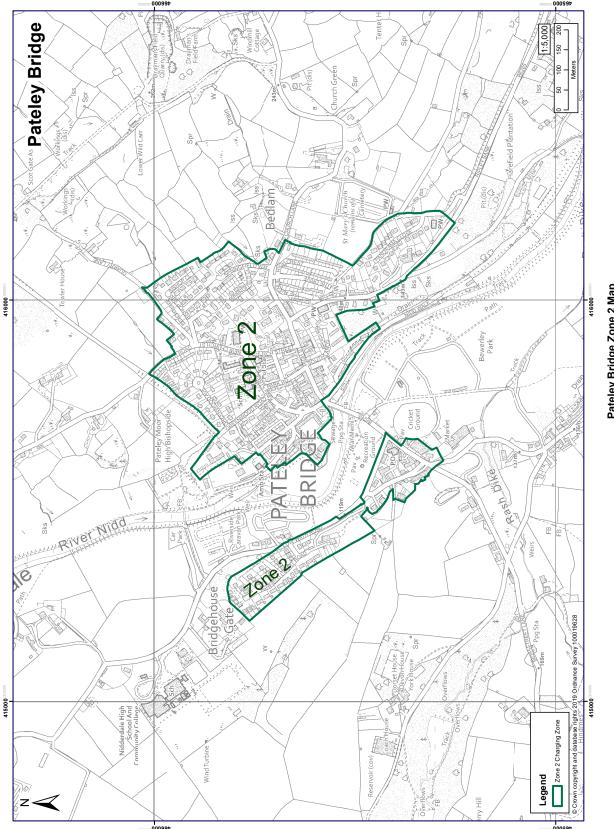




Ripon Zone 2 map







Pateley Bridge Zone 2 Map

## **Appendix 2 The Infrastructure Funding Gap**

# HARROGATE BOROUGH COUNCIL: COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL): INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING GAP

#### Introduction

In order to introduce the CIL Harrogate Borough Council, as the charging authority, must demonstrate that there is a shortfall in funding between the expected total cost of infrastructure needed to support development in the District over the plan period and the level of funding likely to be forthcoming from other sources of funding for infrastructure. This will identify a CIL infrastructure funding target.

Information on the charging authority area's infrastructure needs should be drawn from the infrastructure assessment that was undertaken as part of preparing the relevant Plan (the Local Plan in England, Local Development Plan in Wales, and the London Plan in London). This is because the plan identifies the scale and type of infrastructure needed to deliver the area's local development and growth needs. In determining the size of its infrastructure funding gap, the charging authority should consider known and expected infrastructure costs and the other possible sources of funding to meet those costs. This process will help the charging authority to identify a levy funding target. The government recognises that there will uncertainty in pinpointing other infrastructure funding sources, particularly beyond the short-term. Charging authorities should focus on providing evidence of an aggregate funding gap the demonstrates the need to put in place the levy.

The Council has prepared a Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) as part of the evidence base to the Publication Draft Local Plan which was the subject of public consultation during January and February 2018. The IDP identifies the key infrastructure requirements needed to support the level of planned growth in the District. The Council submitted an updated IDP to the Secretary of State on 31st August 2018 in support of the Harrogate District Local Plan which was examined in January 2019.

The table below provides the most up to date information available on the infrastructure funding gap for the District. The table does not include any infrastructure projects identified in the IDP that would not be eligible for CIL funding or already have sufficient funding identified from other sources of funding for infrastructure.

Infrastructure Type	Infrastructure Requirement	Total Cost (£million)	Confirmed Funding and Source	Funding Gap (£million)	Notes
Strategic Road Network	Junction improvements	£20.5m	None	£20.5m	Potential sources of funding - Highways England, LEP, HBC, S106
Local Road Network	Junction/roundabout improvements/upgrade in Harrogate, Pannal, Knaresborough and Ripon	£11.9m	None	£11.9m	Potential sources of funding - LEP, S106
Public Transport	Rail service/stations and bus service/station improvements	£12.5 (part cost)	£2,500,000 (NYCC)	£10.0 (minimum)	Costs for all public transport

Infrastructure Type	Infrastructure Requirement	Total Cost (£million)	Confirmed Funding and Source	Funding Gap (£million)	Notes
					improvements identified in the IDP are not currently known.
Walking and Cycling	Walking and cycling routes	Unknown	None	Unknown	
Education	Extensions to primary schools	£42.42m	None	£42.42m	Potential sources of funding - S106, NYCC
Education	Extensions to secondary schools	£4.109	None	£4.109m	Potential sources of funding - S106, NYCC
Health	New health 'hubs' and redesign and modification of existing GP services	£23.4m	£13.65m (NHS)	£9.75m	Funding would be for capital cost of improved facilities only

Table 2.1 Funding Gap

The table identifies that the District has a CIL infrastructure funding target of at least c£98 million.

#### **CIL Revenue Projections**

Using the information from the Draft Charging Schedule, it is projected that CIL could be applied to 2200 dwellings at a rate of £50/sq m. However after taking off the projected number of affordable dwellings (exempt from CIL) the figure is reduced to 1330. These dwellings are allocated in the emerging Local Plan and are located within the charging zone. This number is likely to increase however due to windfall sites, density, capacity of sites etc. The Local Plan looks to allocate approximately 30,453 sq m of distribution floorspace which could generate approximately £609,000 of CIL at a rate of £20/sq m. Based on the housing and distribution allocation figures the Council could expect to generate in the order of £7.3m of funding for infrastructure through CIL (based on an average house size of 100m2). Under the regulations, a charging authority is able to deduct 5% from CIL revenue to cover the administration and implementation of CIL. This would therefore reduce the figure to approx £6.9m

In addition, it should be remembered that a meaningful proportion of the CIL generated by development must be allocated to the Parish or Town Council in which the development took place. A local council with an adopted neighbourhood development plan will receive 25% of the CIL receipts generated by development within the neighbourhood plan area (provided that the development was granted planning permission after the neighbourhood plan was adopted) to spend on local infrastructure. In areas without a neighbourhood development plan in place: the local council will receive 15% of CIL receipts generated by development in the area (with a cap on the CIL revenue the charging authority has a duty to give local councils equal to £100 per dwelling in the area in each financial year). Currently

there are no adopted Neighbourhood Plans within the District although there are a couple of local councils working towards this goal. Therefore, at least 15% of the projected CIL revenue will be allocated to local councils. Whilst local council's may decide to use some, or all of their neighbourhood fund to deliver infrastructure projects identified in the table above cannot be guaranteed. On this basis the revenue projection can be further reduced by 15% (as the minimum) to approx £5.9m

#### Conclusion

The total identified infrastructure funding gap for the District for works required to accommodate planned growth to 2023/24 is c£98 million. The total projected revenue from CIL over the same period is c £7.3m.

## **Appendix 3 Evidence of Historic Planning Obligations**

#### **EVIDENCE OF HISTORIC PLANNING OBLIGATIONS**

This appendix sets out information on planning obligations towards the delivery of infrastructure associated with developments negotiated in previous years in order to determine the minimum level of CIL that could be collected in Harrogate District - on the basis that this is at a level which has been demonstrated to be economically viable in the past . This needs to be read in conjunction with the main tables in the accompanying document "Planning Obligations Evidence Tables" The information can also be used to benchmark the assumption made on the continuing role of planning obligations in the CIL Viability Assessment.

Planning obligations are negotiated on a site by site basis in order to deliver appropriate measures to mitigate the site specific impacts of a development, including the delivery of affordable housing, open space, local highway improvements, education and health facilities, amongst other matters. Under the requirements of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended) planning obligations must be:

- 1. Necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms,
- 2. Directly related to the development, and,
- 3. Fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.

Planning obligations are often secured by way of a S106 Agreement, legally binding agreements entered into by persons with an interest in a piece of land such as a developer or landowner. In Harrogate planning obligations are also collected by way of unilateral undertakings based on the requirements set out in Supplementary Planning Documents for contributions towards education, public open space and village hall provision.

The CIL Regulations set out that the levy rates should be set high enough to ensure that (when combined with other sources of funding) sufficient funds are available to pay for the community infrastructure needed to support growth. However, rates should not be set so high as to render the growth targets of the development plan commercially unviable. In setting the levy rates the council has therefore sought to strike an appropriate balance between:

- the desirability of funding from CIL in whole, or in part, the actual and estimated total cost of infrastructure required to support the development of its area, taking into account other actual and expected sources of funding; and,
- b. the potential effects, taken as a whole, of the imposition of CIL on the economic viability of development across its area.

#### **Residential S106 Agreements**

Tables 1, 2 and 3 in the accompany document "Planning Obligations Evidence Tables" provides a record of the data collected on S106 Agreements signed for residential developments taking place in Harrogate District over the last 10 years. Table 3.1 below summarises the average total cost of infrastructure requited by way of a S106 Agreement per dwelling. In most cases the infrastructure costs included in S106 Agreements for residential developments are related to transport improvements, education, contributions and open space provision.

Size of Development	Average Affordable Housing Provision	Average S106 Cost per Dwelling	Average S106 Cost per Market Dwelling
	(% of total)	(Market and Affordable)	
Small Sites	39%	£2,647	£3,377
(1 - 100 dwellings)			
Large Sites	36%	£5,272	£8,549
(over 100 dwellings)			
Combined Rural and Urban Sites	37%	£2,917	N/A

**Table 3.1 Residential S106 Agreements** 

It should be noted that the average figures provided in the second column of Table 3.1 for the delivery of affordable housing on sites is based on planning applications dating back to approx 2007. The policy requirements for affordable housing provision have changed a number of times over this period and so the figures given are not necessarily representative of the Council's recent record of delivery under existing local policy targets.

The CIL Viability Assessment makes an allowance for a residual level of S106 contribution towards infrastructure which will still apply after the adoption of the CIL charging schedule for measures that are required to make schemes acceptable and are related in scale and nature to the proposed development. The Viability Assessment makes an allowance for £2,000 per dwelling across all sites other than the large strategic sites. The figures provided in the third column of Table 3.1 would suggest that the assumptions made is too low. However if we strip out the costs expected to be delivered through CIL (i.e education and off-site open space/village hall provision) then the average cost per dwelling would be reduced by £4338 on large sites £1534 on small sites.

On the large strategic sites the following assumptions are used:

Sites	Area		Are	ea	Strategic Infras Mitigat	
		Dwellings	<b>Gross Ha</b>	Net Ha	Site	/unit
New Settlement	Green Hammerton/Cattal	3,000	80.78	44.43	£36,316,000	£12,105
H49, H51, H70	West Harrogate	3,008	176.01	95.91	£24,906,168	£8,280
H50, H46, H36,						
H45						
K25, K31	Manse Farm, Knaresborough	1,002	65.92	34.12	£2,730,647	£2,725
R24, R25, R27	Ripon	799	64.00	26.65	£5,592,543	£6,999
B4, B12, B21	Boroughbridge	746	44.30	24.90	£4,331,463	£5,806

Table 3.2 Strategic Sites - Strategic Infrastructure and Mitigation Costs

#### **Open Space and Village Hall Contributions**

The Council currently operates a commuted sums policy for the provision of open space and village hall facilities in relation to new residential developments. Contributions towards these two types of infrastructure are generally secured by way of a unilateral undertaking by the applicant, required by a planning condition. Table 10 in the accompanying document provides a summary of the costs of

open space and village hall provision to developers in rural and urban parts of the District. This distinction has been made because contributions towards village hall facilities are only required by developments that take place outside of Harrogate town, Knaresborough and Ripon. This also explains why the average total cost of open space and village hall provision per dwelling in rural areas is higher than in urban areas.

	open space	Average Cost of Off-site Village Hall Provision (£ per dwelling)	Average Total Cost (£ per dwelling)
Rural Area	£1,298	£1,358	£2,656
Urban Area	£1,220	£20	£1,202

Table 3.3 Open Space and Village Hall Unilateral Undertakings

Requirements to provide on-site open space and commuted sums towards its maintenance will continue to be delivered by way of S106 Agreements. As mentioned above an allowance was made in the Viability Assessment for S106 Agreements including open space at the cost of approximately £2,000 per dwelling.

#### **Education Contributions**

The Council consults North Yorkshire County Council on all residential developments creating 25 or more new residential dwellings to determine whether a contribution towards local education provision is necessary. The current level of contributions for education facilities are £13,596 per primary school place based on a ratio 1 new primary school age pupil for every 4 dwellings and £20,293 per secondary school place based on a ratio 1 new secondary school age pupil for every 8 dwellings. It is important to note that contributions towards education facilities are only required where there is insufficient capacity in local schools to accommodate the expected pupil yield of a development. Therefore, developments of over 25 dwellings can be required to contribute in the order of £5,936 per dwelling towards local education facilities if a local need exists. The average S106 costs per dwelling for large residential developments provided in Table 1 above include contributions towards education facilities where this was sought. It is the Council's intention that educational contributions arising from site specific development needs will continue to be funded through S106 Agreements.

#### **Non-residential S106 Agreements**

Few examples of non-residential developments with S106 Agreements were found, and those that were identified, most related to convenience retail developments (i.e supermarkets). Table 7, 8 and 9 in the accompanying document provides details of the non-residential applications considered, and Table 3.4 below provides a summary of the average cost per square meter for different types of development. A number of mixed use developments were also identified but were not included due to the difficulty of attributing the different infrastructure costs required to each use included in the scheme (including residential developments)

Type of Development	Average S106 Cost
	(£ per square metre)
All non-residential development	£51
Supermarket development	£88
Business, industrial and leisure development	£8

Table 3.4 Non-residential development

## **Appendix 4 Instalments Policy**

# HARROGATE BOROUGH COUNCIL : COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL): INSTALMENTS POLICY

This policy has been prepared in accordance with Regulation 69B of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended). Harrogate Borough Council will allow payment of CIL by instalments according to the total amount of the liability as follows:

Total CIL Liability	Number of Instalments	Payment Periods and Amounts
Less than £20,000	One	100% payable within 60 days of the commencement date
Equal to or greater than £20,000 but less than £30,000	Two	<ul> <li>1st Instalment of 50% payable within 90 days of the commencement date and</li> <li>2nd Instalment of 50% payable within 120 days of commencement date.</li> </ul>
Equal to or greater than £30,000 and less than £50,000	Two	<ul> <li>1st Instalment of 50% payable within 90 days of commencement date and</li> <li>2nd Instalment of 50% payable within 180 days of commencement date</li> </ul>
Equal to or greater than £50,000 but less than £100,000	Three	<ul> <li>1st Instalment of 25% payable within 120 days of commencement date</li> <li>2nd Instalment of 25% payable within 180 days of commencement date and</li> <li>3rd Instalment of 50% payable within 270 days of commencement date</li> </ul>
Equal to or greater than £100,000 but less than £500,000	Three	<ul> <li>1st Instalment of 25% payable within 120 days of the commencement date and</li> <li>2nd Instalment of 50% payable within 270 days of the commencement date and</li> <li>3rd Instalment of 25% payable within 365 days if the commencement date</li> </ul>
Equal to or in excess of £500,000	Four	<ul> <li>1st Instalment of 25% payable within 180 days of the commencement date and</li> <li>2nd Instalment of 25% payable within 365 days of commencement date</li> <li>3rd Instalment of 25% payable within 540 days of commencement date</li> <li>4th Instalment of 25% payable within 720 days of commencement date</li> </ul>
Notes:		

## Total CIL Liability Number of Payment Periods and Amounts Instalments

- Where an outline planning permission permits development to be implemented in phases, each phase of the development is a separate chargeable development which may be collected in accordance with this Instalments policy
- 2. Nothing in this Instalments Policy prevents the person with the assumed liability to pay CIL, to pay the outstanding CIL )in whole or in part) in advance of the Instalment period set out in this policy

#### **Table 4.1 Instalments Policy**

The Instalments Policy only applies in cases where the person(s) liable for paying CIL have complied with <u>all</u> the relevant regulations and requirements. Where an instalment payment has not been made in accordance with this policy the unpaid balance of the liability will become payable in full immediately.

This policy will not apply in respect of chargeable developments where:

- 1. nobody has assumed the liability to pay CIL for a development that has commenced (including developments permitted by retrospective planning permission);
- 2. a commencement notice has not been received by Harrogate Borough Council; and
- 3. Harrogate Borough Council has had to determine a deemed commencement date for a development.

In these cases payment is due in full on the commencement date, or deemed commencement date in relation to 2 and 3.

Date of Effect: This policy comes into effect on 1st October 2020

## **Appendix 5 Infrastructure List**

# HARROGATE BOROUGH COUNCIL : COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL): INFRASTRUCTURE LIST

#### Introduction

Charging authorities are required to publish a list setting out those projects or types of infrastructure that it intends will benefit from CIL funding on its website. It is intended that the Council will review the Infrastructure List periodically where appropriate. This will be informed by the most up to date infrastructure planning evidence and the monitoring of CIL collection and spending. Any changes to the list will be justified, clear and subject to appropriate local consultation, in line with the CIL Regulations.

The inclusion of a project or type of infrastructure in this list does not signify a commitment from Harrogate Borough Council to fund, either in whole or in part, the listed project or type of infrastructure through CIL. Nor does the order of the list imply any order of preference or weighting of one project as opposed to another.

#### Infrastructure to Benefit from CIL Funding

The list below sets out those infrastructure projects that Harrogate Borough Council intends will be, or may be, wholly or partly funded by CIL:

Infrastructure Type or Projects intended to be funded through CIL	Infrastructure Type or Projects intended to be funded through S106/S278
Education Facilities	
Strategic education infrastructure District wide	Provision necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms
Green Infrastructu	re/Open Space
Provision and enhancement of the Green Infrastructure network as defined in the Green Infrastructure Supplementary Planning Document (2014) or any subsequent update	<ul> <li>Provision necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms</li> <li>On-site open space provision as required by Local Plan policies (including requirements for financial contributions/off-site provision in lieu of on-site provision in certain circumstances) directly related to a specific site</li> </ul>
Community, cultural a	nd leisure facilities
<ul> <li>Provision of new facilities for community use and improvements to existing facilities</li> <li>Provision of new facilities for cultural use and improvements to existing facilities</li> <li>Provision of new facilities for leisure and recreational use and improvements to existing facilities</li> <li>Provision of new cemeteries</li> </ul>	Provision necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms
Transport S	chemes

Infrastructure Type or Projects intended to be funded through CIL	Infrastructure Type or Projects intended to be funded through S106/S278		
<ul> <li>Improvements to bus and train stations</li> <li>Provision of new cycle and footpath links and improvements to existing</li> <li>Improvements to the Strategic Road network</li> <li>Improvements to the Local Road Network</li> <li>Strategic improvements to the rail network</li> </ul>	Provision necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms		
Health			
Provision of new health facilities and improvements to existing facilities	Provision necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms		
Environmental Improvements			
<ul> <li>Environmental improvements to enhance the appearance, safety and security of the public realm</li> <li>Provision and improvement of public greenspace</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provision necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms</li> <li>Air Quality mitigation measures</li> <li>On-site sustainable energy requirements</li> </ul>		
Drainage and Flo	od Alleviation		
Strategic flood alleviation schemes District wide	Provision necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms		
Housing			

#### **Continuing Role for Planning Obligations**

Even with CIL in place, there will continue to be an important role for planning obligations in mitigating the site specific impacts of a development and in providing affordable housing. The Council will continue to secure the types of infrastructure identified in emerging Local Plan by way of planning obligations, where they meet the tests set out at Regulation 122 of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended). For clarity, the table above provides an outline of the matters which will continue to be addressed through S106 or S278 Agreements:

Harrogate District Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule Harrogate Borough Council	