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Tried to ring to discuss but you were engaged.

The Town Council's Planning Committee considered the Borough Council's draft Charging Schedule for the Community Infrastructure Levy yesterday evening.

The Committee supported the proposals for Berkhamsted - a levy of £150 per square metre for residential development, £125 for retirement housing and £150 for retail developments.

Hopefully this email will suffice as a response?

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Subject: CIL Draft Charging Schedule Consultation

Dacorum's Community Infrastructure Levy - Consultation on Draft Charging Schedule

The Draft Charging Schedule (DCS) that sets out proposed rates for the Council's new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) has been published for consultation.

The Community Infrastructure Levy is a new charge which will allow the Council to raise funds from new developments for use on infrastructure to support the growth of the borough. It is a tariff style system and will be applied per square metre of development. The money collected from the levy will be used to support development by funding infrastructure that the Council, local community and neighbourhoods need. This can include new road or transport schemes; schools and green spaces.

The levy will apply to most new buildings. Charges are based on the size, type and location of the new development. Details of these charges are set out in the Draft Charging Schedule.

How do I comment?

You may comment on the Draft Charging Schedule between **22 January and 5.15pm on 12 March 2014**.

The DCS document and associated questionnaire, together with the accompanying policies, supporting technical evidence and the Statement of Representations Procedure can be downloaded from the Council's CIL webpage at www.dacorum.gov.uk/cil. A web-based version of the questionnaire is also available from this site.

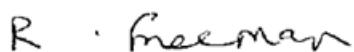
Copies of all documents are available from local libraries and from the Borough Council's offices in Hemel Hempstead, Berkhamsted and Tring during their usual opening times.

What happens next?

The Council will look at the comments to check that each one is valid and made appropriately. It will then consider whether to make any modifications to the DCS before submitting it to the Planning Inspectorate for examination in Spring 2014. The examination is expected to be in the summer of 2014. Any person who submits comments about the DCS may request to be heard by the examiner. The Council aims to adopt a levy in early 2015. Once adopted, CIL will largely replace the current way of providing infrastructure i.e. through Section 106 agreements.

If you have any questions, or wish to obtain copies of the DCS and/or accompanying questionnaire, please contact the Strategic Planning and Regeneration Team at cil@dacorum.gov.uk or phone 01442 228660.

Yours sincerely,



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