

Community Infrastructure Levy: Draft Charging Schedule

Regulation 16 and 17 of The Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended)

Draft Charging Schedule - Representation Form

Monday 14th December 2015 to Monday 8th February 2016

This is your opportunity to comment on the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule. You can access the CIL Draft Charging Schedule and supporting documents online from our website: www.bradford.gov.uk/planningpolicy. The documents and can also be viewed at the Council Planning Offices and main libraries.

For further information you can contact the Development Plans team by:

- Emailing us at: planning.policy@bradford.gov.uk
- Phoning us on: (01274) 433679

Please make your representation on this form

This form has two parts:

- Part A – Personal Details
- Part B – Your Representation.

Please return this completed representation form to the Development Plans Team by either:

- E-mail to: planning.policy@bradford.gov.uk
- Post to: Development Plans, City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council,
2nd Floor South, Jacobs Well, Nelson Street, Bradford, BD1 5RW

Comments should be received within the 8 week consultation period which will run from Monday 14th December 2015 until **1.00 pm on Monday 8th February 2016**

Copies of the comments will be made available for public inspection and cannot be treated as confidential.

Personal Details & Data Protection Act 1998

Regulation 19 of the Community Infrastructure Regulations 2010 (as amended) requires all representations received to be submitted to the CIL Examiner. By completing this form you are giving your consent to the processing of personal data by the City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council and that any information received by the Council, including personal data may be put into the public domain, including on the Council's website. The information you supply will only be used and retained for the purpose of preparing the Local Plan. Please note that the Council cannot accept any anonymous comments.

PART B – YOUR REPRESENTATION -

Q1 Do you consider that the proposed levy rates in the Draft Charging Schedule have been informed by appropriate available evidence?

(please tick the appropriate box)

Yes: No:

Please provide any relevant evidence to support or justify your comment, or any suggested change(s), below.

Click here to enter text.

Q2 Do you consider that the proposed rates are informed by, and consistent with, the evidence on economic viability across the District?

(please tick the appropriate box)

Yes: **No:**

Please provide any relevant evidence to support or justify your comment, or any suggested change(s), below.

Click here to enter text.

Q3 Do you consider that the proposed levy rates would strike an appropriate balance between securing additional investment to support the development identified in the local plan, and the potential effects on the viability of developments in the Bradford district?

(please tick the appropriate box)

Yes: **No:**

Please provide any relevant evidence to support or justify your answer, or any suggested change(s), below.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

Q4 Do you have any comments to make on whether the council has complied with the legislative requirements set out in the Planning Act 2008 and the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations (as amended)?

Yes: **No:**

Please provide any relevant evidence to support or justify your comment, or any suggested change(s) below.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

Q5 Do you have any comments to make on the Draft Regulation 123 list, and the approach to the continued use of section 106 obligations?

(please tick the appropriate box)

Yes: No:

Please provide any relevant evidence to support or justify your comment, or any suggested change(s), below.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

Thank you for consulting the Trust in relation to the Draft Charging Schedule.

The Trust has a range of charitable objects including:

- To hold in trust or own and to operate and manage inland waterways for public benefit, use and enjoyment;
- To protect and conserve objects and buildings of heritage interest;
- To further the conservation, protection and improvement of the natural environment of inland waterways; and
- To promote sustainable development in the vicinity of any inland waterways for the benefit of the public.

We note that Green Infrastructure (GI) and pedestrian/cycle networks are included within the Draft Regulation 123 List.

The inland waterway network, including the canals and towpaths, is a form of GI that provides pedestrian and cycle routes across the Plan area.

We understand that any infrastructure included on an adopted Regulation 123 list cannot be funded through s106 agreements. To date, s106 agreements have been important as a tool for seeking the mitigation of impacts of development on our waterway network.

Clearly GI covers a wide range of types of infrastructure and as such it is likely that only certain GI projects will actually benefit from CIL funding.

Having regard to this context, we are concerned that our waterway infrastructure, the Leeds & Liverpool Canal, is subsumed within a very broad type of infrastructure, i.e. GI, on the Draft Regulation 123 List.

We consider that there is a need to more precisely define GI projects on the Regulation 123 List so as to prevent a situation occurring in which specific types of GI fail to actually benefit from CIL and at the same time cannot be funded through s106 agreements.

As such, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss specific projects for inclusion on the Draft 123 list. For example, we have identified that the towpath between the

Council boundary with Craven (Bridge 191), through Silsden to Lower Holden Farm (Bridge number 194) is in need of investment to improve the towpath surface and access to it.

Furthermore, the towpath between Bingley and Saltaire experiences great usage as it connects the Bingley Five and Three Rise Locks with Salts Mill and Saltaire, a World Heritage Site.

Tourists and visitors flock to these heritage attractions and use the towpath to fully experience them. As such the towpath provides a sustainable transport option for visiting these attractions and helps reduce car usage in the area.

Therefore, we also recommend that this section of the towpath should be included as a project on the Draft 123 list as improvements to this section would benefit Green and pedestrian/cycle infrastructure. This would help promote the use of the towpath and improve sustainable transport options within the area as well as providing more opportunities for leisure and recreation for local residents.

Q6 Do you have any comments to make on the *Draft Exceptional Circumstances Relief Policy*?

(please tick the appropriate box)

Yes: No:

Please provide any relevant evidence to support or justify your comment, or any suggested change(s) below.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

Q6 Do you have any comments to make on the *Draft Instalments Policy*?

(please tick the appropriate box)

Yes: **No:**

Please provide any relevant evidence to support or justify your comment, or any suggested change(s) below.

Click here to enter text.

Q8 Please provide any other comments below that you wish to make on the *Draft Charging Schedule*.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

Examination

In order for the Council to introduce a CIL the Charging Schedule must be approved by an independent Examiner.

Please tick the relevant boxes:-

I would like to be heard by the Examiner at the examination.

I would like to be notified that the Draft Charging Schedule has been submitted to the examiner

I would like to be notified of the publication of the recommendations of the examiner and reasons for those recommendations.

I would like to be notified of approval of the charging schedule by Bradford Council.

(Please ensure you have provided your email address, if possible, as this is the Council's preferred method of contact).

3. Signature:

Date:

5.2.15

Thank you for taking the time to complete this Representation Form.