

Appendix 1 - 29 May 2019

Cabinet response to recommendations of the Scrutiny Committee

The document sets out the draft response of the Cabinet Member to recommendations made by the Scrutiny Committee on 15 May 2019 concerning the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule. The Cabinet is asked to amend and agree a formal response as appropriate.

Recommendation	Agree?	Comment
<p><i>Recommendation 1: That the Council ensures that any application of the Exceptional Circumstances Relief Policy receives thorough councillor oversight and that a standard operating procedure is devised to ensure this process is in place. This process should protect the Council against unreasonable and frequent viability claims, and ensure that the relief scheme is only used in the most exceptional of circumstances.</i></p>	Y	<p>Under the Constitution the Cabinet (formerly CEB) can delegate executive decisions to the appropriate officer in consultation with the relevant portfolio holder, which is what has been proposed here.</p> <p>However, as the name implies, it is anticipated that any application for use of the Exceptional Circumstances Relief would indeed be exceptional. Therefore, while acknowledging that this will add slightly more time to the decision-making process, it is recommended that the Cabinet do not delegate this responsibility but retain it, and should amend the recommendations of the report accordingly.</p> <p>Any such report to Cabinet would therefore be subject to oversight by the Scrutiny Committee in the normal way.</p>

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