



Watford Borough Council

Community Infrastructure Levy

**Statement of Compliance with
Regulations**

April 2014

This document has been prepared to demonstrate Watford Borough Council's compliance with the requirements set out in the Planning Act 2008, the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended) and DCLG guidance (April 2013).

Legislation relating to the introduction of CIL is set out in Part 11 of the Planning Act (2008) as amended by the Localism Act (2011). The provisions relating to the examination of a CIL Draft Charging Schedule are set out in the section 212 Charging Schedule: Examination.

The Planning Act (2008) allows for the production of CIL regulations. These are contained in The Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations (2010) as amended by The Community Infrastructure Levy (Amendment) Regulations (2014).

The regulations that apply to the processes involved in progressing a CIL Draft Charging Schedule to examination are as follows:

Regulation 12	Format and content of charging schedules
Regulation 13	Differential rates
Regulation 14	Setting rates
Regulation 15	Consultation on a Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule
Regulation 16	Publication of a Draft Charging Schedule
Regulation 17	Representations relating to a Draft Charging Schedule
Regulation 18	Withdrawal of a Draft Charging Schedule
Regulation 19	Submission of Documents and Information to the Examiner
Regulation 20	Consideration of Representations by the Examiner
Regulation 21	CIL Examination: Right to be Heard

Planning Act 2008	
Part 11 Section 211	In setting the rates and preparing the Draft Charging Schedule Watford Borough Council has had regard to the actual and expected costs of infrastructure; the economic viability of development; other actual or expected sources of funding for infrastructure; the actual or expected administrative expenses in connection with CIL and the Statutory Guidance. Watford Borough Council has consulted with a range of stakeholders in preparing the Draft Charging Schedule, with formal consultations on the Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule (March 2013) and the Draft Charging Schedule (February 2014). The production of CIL documents has been integrated with the production of other Local Plan documents and associated evidence base.
Part 11 Section 212	The Examiner is independent of the council, provided by the Planning Inspectorate and has appropriate experience and expertise.

The Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended)	
Reg. 12	The charging schedule submitted for examination contains the name of the charging authority, rates at which CIL is to be chargeable, a map identifying zones for different CIL rates. An explanation of how the chargeable amount will be calculated.
Reg. 13	The DCS sets out differential rates for different zones in which development would be situated.
Reg. 14	In setting rates an appropriate balance has been reached between the estimated cost of infrastructure required and the potential effects on viability of development. Administrative costs have also considered.
Reg. 15	<p>The Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule was consulted on in March 2013, the relevant consultation bodies were invited to comment. The council also invited representations from those on the Local Plan consultation database.</p> <p>The PDCS was made available for inspection at the council offices, public libraries and online. The consultation was promoted with a press release and through social media.</p> <p>Comments received have influenced the Draft Charging Schedule.</p>
Reg. 16	<p>The Draft Charging Schedule was published online, with a statement of the representation procedure and relevant evidence, for consultation in Feb-March 2014.</p> <p>The relevant consultation bodies were sent copies and invited to comment and hard copies were made available at the council offices and public libraries. An advertisement notice was placed in the local paper.</p>
Reg. 17	<p>The period for representations on the DCS was 17th Feb to 31st March 2014.</p> <p>18 representations were received.</p>
Reg. 18	N/A – the council has not withdrawn its DCS.
Reg. 19	<p>Watford Borough Council submitted the following documents to the Examiner on 15th April 2014 in both paper and electronic form (where practicable to do so):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Charging Schedule (CIL1) • Summary of issues raised by representations (CIL6) • Copies of the representations (DCS1-18) • Copies of relevant evidence (CIL1-14) <p>Copies of the Draft Charging Schedule and supporting documents will also be made available at the council offices and public libraries from the 16th April 2014 in compliance with (19(3) “as soon as practicable after a charging authority submits”). All documents will also be published on the council’s website.</p>

	All persons who submitted responses to the CIL DCS will be notified of its submission.
Reg. 20	<i>Applies at examination stage.</i>
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