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Dear Mr Amoako

Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule and Draft Climate Change Supplementary Planning Document

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 25 July 2013 which was received by Natural England on the same date.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule

Natural England is pleased to see that Woking Borough Council are putting Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area (SPA) mitigation at the forefront of their thinking when it comes to this document. Natural England is committed to working with the Thames Basin Heaths Local Planning Authorities to secure positive outcomes for the SPA. We want to help resolve this issue for each of the authorities.

We do not have any specific comments to make on the document, and we refer you to our comments on the preliminary draft charging schedule, in our letter dated 2 April 2013. These comments remain valid in respect of the current consultation.

Draft Climate Change Supplementary Planning Document

Natural England welcomes the measures set out in this document to encourage sustainable development and mitigate the effects of climate change. We are also pleased to note the commitment to planning for green infrastructure and biodiversity enhancements. We do not have any further comments to make on this document.

We would be happy to comment further should the need arise but if in the meantime you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

For any queries relating to the specific advice in this letter only please contact Sarah Armstrong-Stacey on 0300 060 2734. For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.

We really value your feedback to help us improve the service we offer. We have attached a feedback form to this letter and welcome any comments you might have about our service.

Yours sincerely

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