

Woking Borough Council Community Infrastructure Levy

Statement of Common Ground by Woking Borough Council and Surrey County Council – Transport Infrastructure

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Woking Borough Council – Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) draft Charging Schedule – Transport infrastructure and Regulation 123 list

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This statement of common ground has been prepared by Woking Borough Council and Surrey County Council in response to the Examiner's agenda for the hearing sessions of the CIL Draft Charging Schedule Examination. It relates specifically to transport infrastructure. Surrey County Council is the highways authority responsible for transport provision in the area. As part of this role, it has worked in close partnership with Woking Borough Council to:

- assess the transport impacts of the development proposals in the Woking Core Strategy;
- identify specific transport infrastructure schemes as part of the Infrastructure Delivery Plan to support the sustainable delivery of the Core Strategy;
- prepare the CIL draft Charging Schedule, in particular to establish the infrastructure needs, the funding gap and the Regulation 123 list.

Examiner's issues

The relevant issues set out in the agenda for the hearing sessions are:

- Does the Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) properly reflect infrastructure needs likely to arise from new development, rather than existing development?
- Does the evidence show a likely funding gap between infrastructure needs and available funding?
- Has account been taken of all other potential sources of income in assessing whether there is a likely funding gap? and
- Appropriateness of the Regulation 123 list.

Response / Statement of Common Ground

The County Council carried out the transport assessment of the Core Strategy proposals on behalf of Woking Borough Council. The assessment was based on the impacts of future development proposed between 2010 and 2027. The outcome of the transport assessment was used to inform the transport schemes of the Infrastructure Delivery Plan. The Regulation 123 list is drawn from the IDP with the focus to ensure that their delivery will minimise the adverse impacts of development which has not been individually assessed, on the transport network.

As transport authority, the County Council has worked in partnership with Woking Borough Council to provide the necessary information to ensure that the Regulation 123 list reflects some of the transport needs that will be generated by new development planned for Woking Borough and is drawn from the IDP agreed by both councils. It has also provided information to ensure that the costing for the infrastructure items in the Regulation 123 list, the estimated other sources of funding and the consequent funding gap are up to date to the best of its

knowledge. It is emphasised that in estimating the funding gap the County has provided information on potential other sources of funding that it is certain to secure towards transport infrastructure in Woking. This information is fully reflected in the Regulation 123 list and the topic paper on the infrastructure funding gap. Both Councils have agreed that the Regulation 123 list will need to be regularly monitored and reviewed as appropriate, to bring it up to date. Subject to the proposed modifications submitted by the County Council as part of the draft Charging Schedule consultation, both authorities are satisfied that the Regulation 123 list is up-to-date and appropriate and when delivered will assist with the sustainable delivery of the Core Strategy.

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