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**To:** LDF

**Cc:** Cllr J Porter

**Subject:** Response to CIL draft charging policy

Dear Mr Opacic,

I would like to comment on the consultation documents for the delivery charges for the CIL in Winchester district, specifically on the sections:

- North of Winchester
- South Downs National Park
- Rest of Winchester

### **North Winchester WT2**

This section relates specifically I presume to Barton Farm and its associated infrastructure.

I would like the Council to consider the following needs which must be addressed - *in addition to those already cited as conditions in the planning application* -for the city north of Winchester to function satisfactorily:

1. The re-organisation of the junction of Worthy Lane with Andover road- this is becoming congested at many times of the day, and fast becoming the sticking point of this development.

Queues develop at all hours, and the land nearby is owned by WCC. This proposal suggests that additional land use for highways, consultation and final design and development costs should be included in transport costs.

2. Bus transport: a bike lane, plus a Sunday and evening buses covering the whole route of the current 86 service, with a frequent loop service to Barton Farm and the new family homes in Worthy Down is necessary. With over 2000 households in the Worthys, a frequent Spring service including evenings is necessary to cut congestion too.

3. M3 Junction 9- additional works are urgently needed to tackle congestion from the A31 onto the Spitfire link and up to the M3 junction. This sum is not specified anywhere: it should be.

### **South Downs National Park**

1. This section includes a number of parks for children to play. It includes communities which I do not believe have identified the specific needs that you describe in this section: and includes facilities which are already in place. Could you tell me please how this section was compiled?
2. Better broadband provision is absolutely critical here, but it is described as 'priority'. I believe it is a higher priority than this- in fact top priority for the National Park to function as it should. The HCC Broadband team will have a good estimate of the costs of this work by Spring 2013. I believe that it is most important that this cost, over and above the SDNPA share of the £5.3m is incorporated into the levy.
3. Public transport improvements are not specific: *I would like this cost to include* a Sunday Bus service and a better Saturday service, plus Summer evening services and consideration for provision of a taxi rank licensing system from Alresford.

4. Cycle access is frequent and popular but poorly provided. On road cycle lanes are needed, and the re-opening of the old disused railway line from Kings Worthy to Alresford at the very top of the National Park would make a good cycle route: this cost should be included in the CIL levy for this area.
5. I strongly support the provision of extra care housing within this community. Currently the needs of elderly needing support are not met helpfully by any plan. Delivery of home care in the dark evenings is difficult for carers and all care requires carer's own transport. This needs to be addressed in the plan by satellite support.

### **Rest of District**

1. What is a Creation centre? I cannot support it until I know what it is!
2. The costing for community facilities are not necessarily high enough to cover the likely costs of provision here: Warren Hall at Micheldever Station needs more than £200,000, and there are no specific plans to improve facilities for young people at Weeke, a long term aspiration, or any other part of the area covered by the County Division of Itchen Valley.
3. The cycle route to Kings Worthy is a shared footway: very popular and well used by walkers and cyclists. This needs to be upgraded for better width and lighting, and extended further into Kings Worthy with fingers out to the Worthys in general- possibly using land within the 'north Winchester' policy area: if WCC is to be imaginative, this could bring about a significant reduction of car traffic . £51K is not enough for this project.
4. A full evening bus service to the Worthys is essential.
5. New Alresford will become a honeypot town for the National Park as well as a tourist hub in its own right.
6. Additional school provision is just about not necessary at the moment, but consideration should be given, especially to additional secondary places as Four Marks grows and matures.
7. Broadband- see above.
8. Waste: improved waste *recycling* facilities are needed for a growing Alresford.
9. I hope this is a useful list: I would be grateful for an acknowledgement of this email, and would welcome a dialogue on its contents.

Yours sincerely,  
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