

Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule June 2014

Community Infrastructure Levy and Section 106 Statement

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 This document explains how Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and Section 106 will be used together to deliver planning obligations and to demonstrate that developers will not be required to pay twice for the provision of infrastructure, through both a CIL charge and a Section 106 contribution. A clear and transparent system is necessary for identifying what infrastructure will be funded through CIL and in what circumstances infrastructure would be required in addition to the CIL payment as a planning obligation.
- 1.2 Paragraph 206 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)¹ states that planning conditions should only be imposed where they are necessary, relevant and reasonable in all other respects. Planning obligations should only be used where it is not possible to address unacceptable impacts through a planning condition and where they meet the three tests set out in CIL Regulation 122 and paragraph 204 of the NPPF:
 - 'A planning obligation may only constitute a reason for granting planning permission for the development if the obligation is –
 - a) necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms;
 - b) directly related to the development; and
 - c) fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.'

2. Community Infrastructure Levy and Section 106

- 2.1 After 6 April 2015, or on adoption of CIL (whichever is earlier), Gedling Borough Council will only be able to pool up to five Section 106 contributions towards the implementation of a specific item of infrastructure. If such an item is to be delivered wholly or partly through CIL, this item of infrastructure must be clearly exempt from a planning obligation and these will be identified in the Council's Regulation 123 List, which will detail the specific items of infrastructure that will be delivered by CIL.
- 2.2 The Community Infrastructure Levy Revised Draft Charging Schedule stage² includes a draft Regulation 123 List. The specific items of infrastructure listed are as follows:
 - Project 1: Gedling Colliery Contribution to the Gedling Access Road to facilitate development of the Gedling Colliery/Chase Farm site;
 - Project 2: Gedling Colliery Country Park Visitor Centre;
 - Project 3: Secondary School for Gedling Colliery/Chase Farm site; and
 - Project 4: Secondary School for Top Wighay Farm site.
- 2.3 Section 106 has raised significant sums for infrastructure provision over a number of years, as detailed in Table 1 below.

¹ https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-planning-policy-framework--2

² https://consultplanningpolicy.gedling.gov.uk/consult.ti/cil_revdcs/consultationHome

Table 1: Section 106 payments received in Gedling Borough during the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2014

Year	Total Section 106 Money Received
1 April 2005 – 31 March 2006	£12,544.00
1 April 2006 – 31 March 2007	£321,477.83
1 April 2007 – 31 March 2008	£83,648.00
1 April 2008 – 31 March 2009	£94,128.82
1 April 2009 – 31 March 2010	£448,079.57
1 April 2010 – 31 March 2011	£76,537.00
1 April 2011 – 31 March 2012	£0.00
1 April 2012 – 31 March 2013	£0.00
1 April 2013 – 31 March 2014	£1,061,423.37
Total	£2,097,838.59

- 2.4 Table 1 shows that between 1 April 2005 and 31 March 2014, Section 106 receipts have averaged about £233,093 a year. Affordable housing accounted for 56 % of Section 106 payments during that period. 40% of the Section 106 payments were for provision and maintenance of on-site and off-site open space and recreational facilities, followed by 3% for a healthcare facility and 1% for provision of signs.
- 2.5 CIL has the potential to exceed Section 106 and capture the potential for infrastructure funding that was achieved in the higher Section 106 contribution years. Through CIL all but the smallest building projects will make a contribution towards additional infrastructure but this will be based on viability testing.
- 2.6 CIL is expected to result in a reduction in average Section 106 payments. As the viability assumptions have used current levels, this represents a cautious but realistic approach to viability and the recommended CIL rates. It should be noted that the viability assessments demonstrate that the proposed rate of CIL can be borne by most development without making the project commercially unviable.

3. Section 106 Audit

3.1 At the time of the adoption of CIL, an audit of outstanding Section 106
Agreements will be produced that will set out developments that are expected to contribute a Section 106 payment. This will be produced in draft form for the CIL examination.

4. Planning Obligations and the Gedling Borough Local Plan

4.1 It is anticipated that Gedling Borough's Core Strategy will be adopted in September 2014. Once adopted, this will replace some of the policies in the Gedling Borough Replacement Local Plan (Certain Policies Saved 2008). The following policies may require developer contributions to infrastructure provision. In particular, policies 18 and 19 of the Core Strategy relate to Infrastructure and Developer Contributions respectively.

Core Strategy (Submission/Proposed Modifications Version):

- Policy 1: Climate Change
- Policy 2: The Spatial Strategy
- Policy 4: Employment Provision and Economic Development
- Policy 6: Role of Town and Local Centres
- Policy 7: Regeneration
- Policy 8: Housing Size, Mix and Choice
- Policy 9: Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople
- Policy 10: Design and Enhancing Local Identity
- Policy 11: The Historic Environment
- Policy 12: Local Services and Healthy Lifestyles
- Policy 13: Culture, Tourism and Sport
- Policy 14: Managing Travel Demand
- Policy 15: Transport Infrastructure Priorities
- Policy 16: Green Infrastructure, Parks and Open Space
- Policy 17: Biodiversity
- Policy 18: Infrastructure
- Policy 19: Developer Contributions

Gedling Borough Replacement Local Plan (Certain Policies Saved):

- Policy H2: Distribution of Residential Development
- Policy H3: Land at Former Gedling Colliery and Chase Farm
- Policy H4: Stockings Farm
- Policy H5: Teal Close / North of Victoria Park
- Policy H6: Top Wighay Farm
- Policy H18: Affordable Housing
- Policy E1: Allocation of Employment Land
- Policy E2: Proposed Mixed Use at Hillcrest Park, Calverton
- Policy T1: New Developments Developer Contributions
- Policy T3: Proposed Transport Schemes
- Policy C2: Community Facilities for New Development
- Policy R3: Provision of Open Space with New Residential Development

Supplementary Planning Documents:

- Affordable Housing (2009)
- Parking Provision for Residential Developments (2012)
- 4.2 Planning obligations will continue to cover affordable housing and site-related mitigation measures. Some Replacement Local Plan and Core Strategy policies may require additional contributions to meet site specific requirements. For example, Policy R3 of the Gedling Borough Replacement Local Plan requires the provision of open space to serve new residential development and allows for the provision of a financial contribution to provide or enhance off site facilities as an alternative to provision within the development. Other examples are set out in Table 5.

4.3 Paragraph 22 of the CIL Guidance also states that the charging authority should assess the extent to which affordable housing targets have been met in recent years. Table 2 below shows that the target has been met in only 3 of the last 7 years.

Table 2: Affordable housing provided in Gedling Borough

Year	Affordable homes delivered *	Local Plan Policy H18 ³	Affordable Housing SPD ⁴
1 April 2006 – 31 March 2007	14%	20 %	
1 April 2007 – 31 March 2008	21%	20 %	
1 April 2008 – 31 March 2009	21%	20 %	
1 April 2009 – 31 March 2010	18%	20 %	20%
1 April 2010 – 31 March 2011	14%		20%
1 April 2011 – 31 March 2012	20%		20%
1 April 2012 – 31 March 2013	16%		20%

^{*} Excluding transfers and acquisitions

4.4 The figures in the table do not directly relate to negotiations on affordable housing contributions, as they include affordable housing provided directly by the public sector as well as simply as part of private developments.

Table 3: Proposed CIL charging zones and affordable housing targets

Development type	Charging zone	Proposed CIL rate (£ per sq m)	Affordable housing target
Residential	Zone 1	£0/sq m	10%, 20% or 30% *
	Zone 2	£45/sq m	20% or 30% *
	Zone 3	£70/sq m	10% or 30% *
Commercial	Borough wide	£60/sq m	n/a

^{*} Depending on location

- 4.5 The figures in Table 3 reflect viability studies for both CIL and affordable housing delivery. See Appendix 1 for maps showing CIL residential charging zones (included in the Revised Draft Charging Schedule) and affordable housing requirements (included in the 2009 Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document).
- 4.6 Table 4 overleaf shows the Section 106 contributions paid within the different charging zones for residential schemes and borough wide charging zone for commercial schemes and compares them with the CIL charges that would have been paid during the period 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2014, to illustrate the potential impact of CIL in certain areas.

Table 4: Relative Section 106 payments received and equivalent CIL potential income by Charging Zone during the period 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2014

Development type	Charging Zone	Section 106	Equivalent CIL
		payments received	potential income *

³ Replacement Local Plan Policy H18 set a target of 20% of new housing provision (where appropriate) to be affordable on large sites of 1 hectare or more. This policy has been replaced by the Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document in December 2009.

⁴ Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document requires the provision of 10%, 20% and 30% affordable housing in different sub markets within the Borough (see Appendix 1) on sites of 15 dwellings or greater. An average of 20% is used as a target.

Residential	Zone 1	£0.00	£0.00
	Zone 2	£1,061,423.37	£1,126,912.50
	Zone 3	£0.00	£278,775.00
Commercial	Borough wide	£0.00	£133,980.00
Total		£1,061,423.37	£1,539,667.50

^{*} See Appendix 2 for calculation assumptions for equivalent CIL potential income

4.7 The table shows that developers in most areas would pay more in CIL than they have paid through Section 106. This is understandable as CIL is expected to raise additional funding with more CIL liable developments.

5. When Section 106 Agreements will still be used

- 5.1 In addition to CIL, developers will still be expected to mitigate any impact on the environment or local infrastructure that arises directly as a result of the development, in line with the tests set out in paragraph 1.2. The following will continue to be provided through planning obligations:
 - Affordable housing (as this is outside the scope of CIL);
 - Infrastructure that is required as a result of specific development (and is not included in the Regulation 123 list);
 - Commuted sums for the maintenance of facilities/infrastructure that the developer would like another body to adopt; and
 - Mitigating the direct negative impacts of development.
- 5.2 Certain larger scale developments will create their own demand for new infrastructure and will have a greater impact on the local area. Wherever possible, the provision of site-related infrastructure will be required on site, as in most cases provision will be integral to the design of new development. For example, a large development may be required to provide new open space on site (see Gedling Borough Replacement Local Plan Policy R3). However, there will be cases where it is neither practicable nor appropriate to provide open space on site, so the Council may require financial contributions towards the provision of open space off-site instead.
- 5.3 The Council will ensure that no 'double counting' takes place and that developers will not be charged twice for the same infrastructure (in line with the CIL Regulations). Table 5 overleaf lists the key forms of contributions likely to be sought from Section 106 Agreements and the Replacement Local Plan or Core Strategy policy that requires them. It should be noted that this list of infrastructure types is not exhaustive.

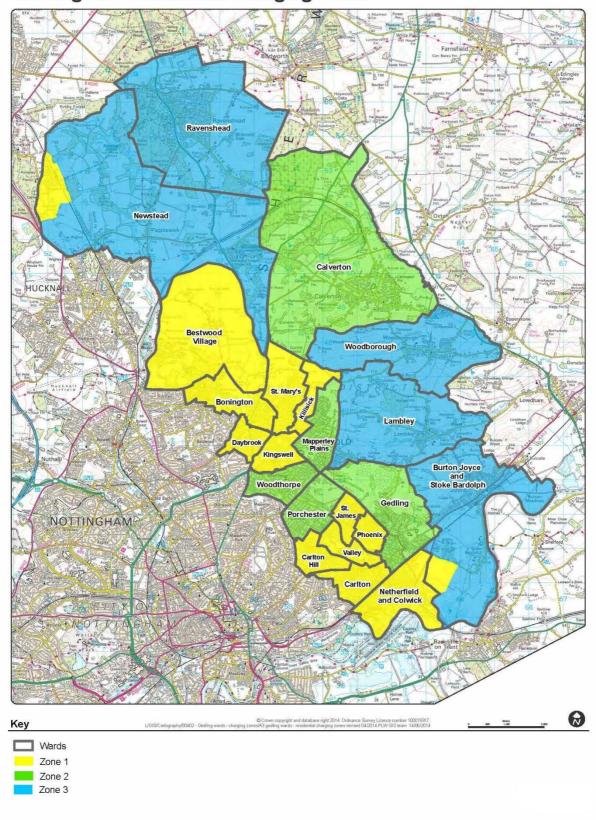
Table 5: Infrastructure types delivered through Section 106 and CIL

Infrastructure *	Local Plan	Core Strategy	S106	CIL funded
iiiiastiucture	Policy	Policy	Infrastructure	Infrastructure
Transport	T1, T3	2, 15, 18, 19	Site-related	Project 1 (Gedling
•	,		requirements only.	Access Road).
Drainage and flood		1, 18, 19	Site-related flood	
protection			defence	
			infrastructure (such	
			as SUDS).	
Public transport and	T1	14, 18, 19	Site-related	
travel behavioural			requirements only.	
change measures. Affordable housing	H18	8, 19	Provision of units	
Allordable flodsling	1110	0, 19	on-site or	
			contributions	
			towards off-site	
			provision.	
Education	C2	12, 18, 19	School and	Project 3
			educational	(Secondary School
			places/facilities	Provision for
			where there are	Gedling
			insufficient.	Colliery/Chase
				Farm)
				Project 4
				(Secondary School Provision for Top
				Wighay Farm)
Open space	R3	2, 11, 16, 18,	Site-related	Triginal Family
		19	requirements only	
			or replacement of	
			open space lost	
			through	
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Community and cultural facilities	C2	11, 12, 19		Project 2 (Visitor Centre for Gedling
Cultural facilities				Country Park) and
				Project 3 (Leisure
				Centre Extension).
Health and social	C2	12, 18, 19	New health facilities	Project 2 (Visitor
care facilities		, , ,	within large	Centre)
	<u> </u>		developments.	
Emergency services		19	Site-related	
			requirements only.	
Environmental		11, 16, 19	Site-related	
improvements		19	requirements only. Site-related	
Waste recycling facilities		19	requirements only.	
Shopping facilities		6, 19	Site-related	
Chapping facilities		0, 10	requirements only.	
Green Infrastructure	R3	2, 11, 16, 18,		
		19		
Information and		19	Site-related	
Communication			requirements only.	
Technology		4.40	0	
Training and		4, 19	Site-related	
employment			requirements only.	
measures for local				
people				

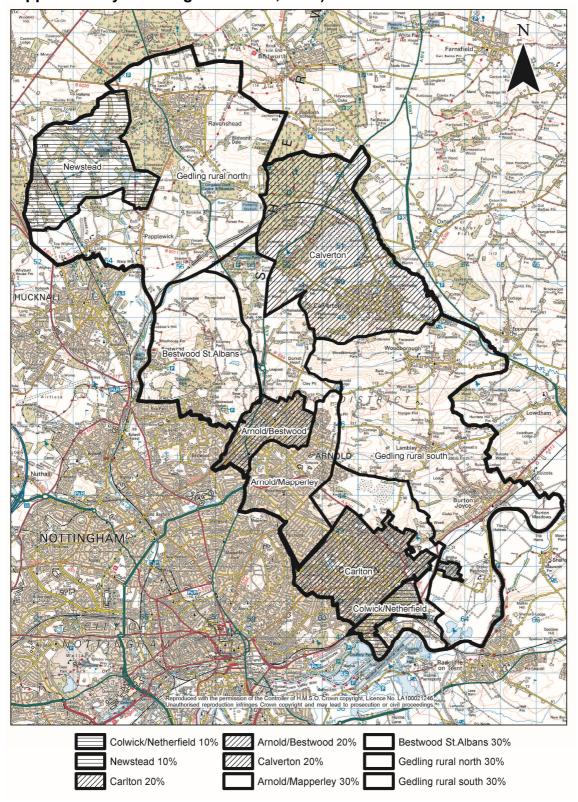
APPENDIX 1

Map 1: CIL Residential Charging Zones (from the Revised Draft Charging Schedule, 2014)

Gedling CIL - Residential Charging Zones



Map 2: Affordable Housing Requirements (from the Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document, 2009)



APPENDIX 2

Calculation assumptions for equivalent CIL potential income:

- CIL is charged on new residential and commercial floorspace at the rate set in the Council's Revised Draft Charging Schedule.
- Includes residential and commercial development commenced between 1 April 2011 and 31 March 2014.
- Residential development includes one or more new dwellings (except the conversion of a single dwelling into separate dwellings).
- Assumes average size of 90 sq m for each new dwelling unit (see Appendix 1 of The Infrastructure Delivery Plan and the Existence of a Funding Gap).
- No CIL is payable on affordable housing element.
- The Council does not currently collect data on self-build.
- Commercial development includes new build floorspace (including extensions and replacement) of 100 sq m or above.
- The total floorspace of any buildings on site is subtracted from the floorspace of the chargeable development, where the existing buildings have been in use for a period of at least six months within the past three years ending on the day planning permission first permits the chargeable development.
- Assume CIL instalment payments are paid according to the potential instalment model set out on page 12 of the Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule (September 2012) which have yet to be agreed – payments due on 90th day, 270th day, 360th day, 540th day and 720th day. Any remaining payments due after 31 March 2014 are not included.