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## **AGENDA**

**Committee:** **Scrutiny**

**Date and Time:** **Wednesday, 9th February 2022 at 7.00p.m.**

**Venue:** **Council Chamber**

**Membership:** **Councillors Blackwell (Chairman), Cole, Drogman, Harvey, MacLean, Skipp, Riley, A Thornton and Tucker**

**Cabinet Member attending:** **TBC**

**Officers attending:** **Ian Butt – Head of Place and Policy  
Mrs Amanda Parrott - Planning Policy Manager  
Miss Ann Horgan - Scrutiny Officer**

**Enquiries:** **Loretta Hill – Ext. 2427**

### **PART I** **(Business to be taken in public)**

#### **1. Apologies and Members' Interests**

#### **2. Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule**

Cabinet referred to this Committee for scrutiny the following recommendation prior to consideration by Council:

##### **1. The Cabinet recommends to Council that it:**

- a. Approves the submission of the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule attached as Appendix 2 to the Planning Inspectorate for the purposes of examination in accordance with the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) and the Planning Act 2008.**
- b. Authorises the Head of Place and Policy, and suitably qualified officers and consultants as he approves, to represent the Council in the examination of the Community**

**Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule, and undertake any work deemed necessary for that examination.**

- c. In the case that the examiner does not recommend changes to the rates proposed in the submission Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule, the CIL Charging Schedule attached as Appendix 2 is Approved for publication and to come into effect. The Chief Executive and Head of Place and Policy, in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader, are authorised to publish and set a date on which the Community Infrastructure Levy will come into effect, as soon as is practical after the receipt of the examiner's report.**
- d. In order to enable the Chief Executive and Head of Place and Policy to implement recommendation c, they are authorised, in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader, to make minor editorial changes to the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule as necessary to indicate that it is the final version and will come into effect on a specified date.**
- e. In the case that the examiner does recommends changes to the rates proposed in the submission Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule, require the Chief Executive and Head of Place and Policy to report back to Council on the examiners recommendations as soon as practical after its receipt, so that a further decision can be taken on the implementation of the Community Infrastructure Levy.**

A report is attached.

### **3. Work Programme**

The Scrutiny Committee together with Place and Communities Policy & Scrutiny Committee has been asked to review in detail the Governance options for the expenditure of CIL monies and report back on a recommended arrangement.

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**SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**9th February 2022**

**Subject: Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule**

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- 1. Purpose of Report**  
To present to Committee the report before Cabinet on 26 January 2022 and supporting information.
- 2. Links to Council's priorities and objectives**  
CIL contributes directly to the Council's Place priority by delivering the financial resources necessary to deliver infrastructure projects. There are potential overlaps with the Council's People and Environment priorities as CIL can be used on a variety of infrastructure types including education, health, community and sport facilities and open spaces. CIL is an enabler under the Resources heading.
- 3. Recommendations**
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#### **4. Background**

Arising from officer briefings to Councillors, representations were by Members that further time was required to examine the report before consideration by Council.

As this is a new charging arrangement it is good practice to refer the proposed arrangements by the Scrutiny Committee before a decision is taken by Council.

The following information is provided to the Committee:

- 1. The report presented to Cabinet on 26 January 2022 at Item 11 is attached together with Appendix 1 and 2.
- 2. Also attached is the report to Cabinet in October 2021 at Item 9.
- 3. Information regarding the status of CIL in other Essex Councils.
- 4. The link to the webpage where the evidence base can be found:  
<https://www.castlepoint.gov.uk/community-infrastructure-levy-cil->

#### **5. Corporate Implications**

The corporate implications are as set out in the report to Cabinet.

#### **6. Background Papers:**

See report to Cabinet

**Report Author:** Miss Ann Horgan – Head of Governance Scrutiny Officer