

## **Planning & Environmental Law Committee response to DCLG consultation “Community Infrastructure Levy: Detailed proposals and draft regulations for reform”**

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We thank the DCLG for the opportunity to comment on the proposed CIL amendments and attach our response to the questionnaire. We have not made comments where we feel the issues are points of policy or practical application only.

We have also reviewed the draft regulations and have no comments apart from the general concern raised in reply to question 3.

Broadly, we concur that it will provide greater clarity and transparency if the precise percentage of CIL receipts to be passed to local councils is specified within the regulations. However, there is a concern that relying on a fixed per household cap to address the balance of monies to be retained by the charging authority for expenditure on infrastructure which would support the new development may not give sufficient flexibility. Section 59A should be amended to include a mechanism allowing a smaller percentage of receipts to be passed across if circumstances require more monies for infrastructure to support new development and local councils agree to a reduction in receipts.

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