South Worcestershire Councils

NOTICE OF REPRESENTATION ON THE SOUTH WORCESTERSHIRE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVEL (DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE) COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY REGULATIONS 2010 (AS AMENDED) REGULATIONS 16 & 17

Under Section 212 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended by Section 144 of the Localism Act 2011) the South Worcestershire Councils of Malvern Hills, Worcester City and Wychavon intend to submit a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) draft Charging Schedule for joint Examination.

The South Worcestershire Councils are inviting representations on the Draft Charging Schedule between Friday 1 April 2016 and Monday 16 May 2016. This is in accordance with Regulations 16 & 17 of the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended).

The CIL Levy allows local authorities to raise funds from developers who undertake new building projects in the local area. The money can be used to pay for infrastructure that is required to support growth.

The South Worcestershire Councils intend to introduce a separate CIL for each local authority area but have agreed to produce the CIL on a joint basis. In doing so background work to determine the relevant charging rates is based on an assessment of viability and the infrastructure required. The Draft Charging Schedule sets out the proposed rates, which will vary depending on the type, size, and location of development.

Comments are invited on the content of the Draft Charging Schedule to be made by 5:00pm on Monday 16 May 2016. Such comments should be made on the Response Form, which is available along with the Draft Charging Schedule, and other supporting documentation, on the South Worcestershire Development Plan website at www.swdevelopmentplan.org. Hard copies of the documentation can be viewed at the customer contact centres of the South Worcestershire Councils and at the public libraries in Malvern, Upton-upon-Severn, Tenbury Wells, Droitwich Spa, Evesham, Pershore, Broadway, and The Hive in Worcester.

Comments can be submitted via email to contact@swdevelopmentplan.org or by post to: South Worcestershire Development Plan, Civic Centre, Queen Elizabeth Drive, Pershore, WR10 1PT.

Representations received during the consultation period will be considered by an independent Planning Inspector as part of the Examination into the CIL Charging Schedule.

In addition to the Draft Charging Schedule for CIL the South Worcestershire Councils are also consulting during the same period on a draft Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) that will operate alongside CIL once implemented.