A MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD WAS HELD ON 17 SEPTEMBER 2014

(Subject to Approval)

The Mayor (Councillor Gill) (ex-officio) (P), Chairman of the Policy and Organisation Board (Councillor Hook) (ex-officio) (P); Councillors Ballard (P), Beavis (P), Edgar (P), Mrs Forder (P), Geddes (P), Hylands (P), Langdon (P), Philpott (P) Mrs Searle (P) and Mrs Wright.

It was reported that in accordance with Standing Order 2.3.6 Councillor Wright had been nominated to replace Councillor Mrs Wright for this meeting.

14. APOLOGIES

An apology for inability to attend the meeting was received from Councillor Mrs Wright.

15. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

16. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD ON 2 JULY 2014

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Economic Development Board meeting held on 2 July 2014, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

17. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations.

18. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

PART II

19. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY – DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE

Consideration was given to a Report of the Borough Solicitor and Deputy Chief Executive which sought approval from the Economic Development Board to publish the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule for public consultation and subsequent submission to the Secretary of State.

Members sought clarification as to when CIL would be charged and when Section 106 agreements would be charged. The Board were advised that the regulations were complex and that guidance for the charging of CIL had been updated on a number of occasions. It was anticipated that developments would be charged under CIL for contributions for infrastructure, the transport network and open space.

The Board were also advised that. in most cases it will no longer be possible to accumulate Section 106 agreement funds from more than five different developments for particular infrastructure projects.

Members were advised that guidance and policy surrounding the implementation of CIL

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and Section 106 agreements had still not been finalised.

The Board were advised that rate for waterside development was proposed to be lower as a result of the additional difficulty in developing waterside land. These included the high level of flood risk and the potential for contaminated land.

In answer to a Member's question, the Board were advised that guidance recommended that chargeable rates should be kept under review.

The Board were advised that the intention was that introduction of CIL would be more straightforward to administrate and that CIL would replace the majority of Section 106 agreements.

In answer to a Member's question, the Board were advised that CIL was not appropriate for Service Family Accommodation. The properties were available as rental properties and the costs associated with them meant that charging CIL was not viable. Members were also advised that it was anticipated that CIL would allow the developer to know the potential costs upfront.

Members were advised that the documentation would be made available for public consultation and it was hoped that it would be submitted to the Secretary of State, with the local plan, in November 2014 with an Examination in Spring 2015.

Members were advised that the CIL would bring a change in that pricing would be per square metre providing a quantifiable sum for developers.

Members thanked Officers for their work and recognised the important role of the consultants in producing the report.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Board agrees to the publication of the Gosport CIL Draft Charging Schedule (as set out in Appendix A of the report) for public consultation;
- 2. That the Head of Planning Policy is authorised to prepare a summary of representations received and then submit the Gosport CIL draft charging schedule together with the summary of representations and supporting evidence to the Secretary of State.

20. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

The meeting concluded at 6:27pm

CHAIRMAN