

Community Infrastructure Levy

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In answer to a written question in the House of Commons, Greg Clark, Minister for Communities and Local Government, stated that the Government is considering the future of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).

The CIL is a fee which local authorities may charge developers to fund local community infrastructure around a new development. Greg Clark promised that a public announcement regarding the Government's plans for the CIL would be made shortly, leading to speculation as to what the proposals might be.


The Conservative Manifesto stated that a Conservative government would 'scrap CIL and non-site-specific planning obligations and instead introduce a single unified local tariff applicable to all residential and non-residential development'. If a flat fee system is introduced in accordance with the Manifesto, charities may again have to fight their corner in order to be exempted from the fee. Under the current regulations, charities which develop land to be used wholly or mainly for charitable purposes are exempted from paying the CIL.

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