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Your Ref. : FP25/15/11

Ask for : [REDACTED]

Dear Rhian,

**CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL - COMMUNITY
INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) PRELIMINARY DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE
CONSULTATION**

Thank you for allowing Dwr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW) the opportunity to formally respond to the above consultation.

At this stage we would suggest an amendment to the Physical Infrastructure section of the 'Draft Infrastructure List' to read:

- Strategic **Water and** Drainage Network

The reason for this amendment is as follows:

Our Water Resources Plan outlines our 25 year strategy for maintaining the balance between supply and demand for water to the period 2034-35. Our Plan utilises Welsh Assembly Government population forecasts and whilst the Environment Agency Wales have indicated major reductions to our abstraction licences, we have identified options to ensure that the security of water supplies across Wales is maintained.

The Review of Consents (RoC), under the Habitats Directive affects our abstractions, in particular for South East Wales, from the rivers Wye and Usk. These rivers form a fundamental part of our South East Conjunctive use System that supplies Cardiff and your Authority area. The predictions are that this water resource zone will be in deficit in year 2028/29. However, we have already identified solutions which will protect water supply and the environment through changes in our operations. We do not believe therefore, that these licence reductions should impact in any way the proposals for additional growth identified within your Local Development Plan.

Therefore, whilst the management of water resources is considered adequate for the foreseeable future, the situation could change in the longer term and this issue may

need to be addressed in the subsequent Local Development Plan or its predecessor(s).

We would welcome being involved at future stages of developing a Charging Schedule for the Authority.

Yours Sincerely,

Rhidian Clement
Principal Planner
Developer Services