



RESPONSE FORM

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DRAFT COMMISSIONING PLAN FOR EDUCATION PROVISION 2012 - 2017

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2. YOUR COMMENTS		
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Foreword	4	In general the stated goals of the County Council are welcomed as meeting the needs arising from existing and new developments, improving standards in schools and in ensuring choice.
		Officers will continue to work with colleagues at KCC Education to ensure that the review of the Local Development Framework is taken into account in future iterations of the Commissioning Plan in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate.
Section 7 Capital Funding (para 7.7)	20	Paragraph 7.7. states 'In the past developer contribution funding has been secured through the negotiation of S106 agreements. Whilst S106 remains for meeting specific requirements of individual developments the arrangement is to be supplemented by the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). CIL is a local tariff on all development to provide new service capacity to support development.'
		This section should be clarified. As currently worded it suggests that both funding streams can be used for providing education facilities, which would be double counting meaning there may be a risk developers may pay

		twice for the same infrastructure. Also CIL is not chargeable on all development. There are some exceptions and CIL is only payable on net increases in floor space – this should be made clear. It may also be worth noting that CIL is discretionary and that Local Authorities may decide not to adopt a CIL charging regime. It might be more appropriate to simply refer to the need for a legal mechanism to be adopted by the relevant Borough/District Council to secure appropriate development contributions.
District Analysis – T&MBC	55	Please note that Leybourne Grange should now be referred to as Leybourne Chase to reflect the developer's preferred name for the development. There is a typographical error in the District profile for Tonbridge and Malling. The second table showing the Secondary Commissioning Position is incorrectly shown as
District Analysis – Sevenoaks and also Tunbridge Wells	63 & 65	Secondary Commissioning Position is incorrectly shown as Primary (i.e. both tables have been called Primary). Additional provision for secondary school places to address an identified deficit in the Tonbridge area is earmarked for Sevenoaks (non-selective) and Tunbridge Wells (selective) but none in the Tonbridge area. Although the capacity issue is addressed, there may be competition for selective places in Tonbridge resulting from Sevenoaks families seeing this as a preferred option to the longer journeys to schools in Tunbridge Wells. This may result in unanticipated local pressures for places in Tonbridge.

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- age
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