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Dear Mr Martin		
COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY CONSULTATION		

The Institute of Historic Building Conservation (IHBC) is the professional body of the United Kingdom representing conservation specialists and historic environment practitioners in the public and private sectors. The Institute exists to establish the highest standards of conservation practice, to support the effective protection and enhancement of the historic environment, and to promote heritage-led regeneration and access to the historic environment for all.

Thank you for inviting us to participate in this consultation.

The Institute is generally happy with the proposals. However, there is no reference to the contribution to infrastructure that can be made by heritage assets and the historic environment generally.

The draft does not rule out the expenditure of CIL in ways that consolidate historic places or individual buildings within them if it is appropriate to provide infrastructure in this way. On the other hand it does not expressly mention the possibility. We think that a reference should be included somewhere in the document to the effect that CIL may be used to provide infrastructure, as defined, in ways that complement or reinforce other plans and community objectives including, for example, the reuse of historic buildings.

We hope this comment is helpful.

Yours sincerely

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