





recommended that pupil yield should be based on evidence from new housing developments in line with draft guidance that was first consulted on in September 2018: 'Establishing Pupil Yields From Housing Development And Securing Developer Contributions For Education

17. Concerns were raised over the current sufficiency of early year's places. This policy seeks to improve the funding to support this sufficiency and therefore no additional changes are required.

18. The Council's Public Health Directorate raised concerns about the need to ensure that this policy meets the Worcestershire Health & Wellbeing strategic priorities of 'Being Active'. In response to the comments made, no changes will be made to the policy document due to the following reasons:

The Council already works to ensure there are safe walking routes to a choice of schools. This is factored into any requirements for additional education infrastructure, and where necessary, funding is sought from the developer via Highways obligations for footpath/cycle routes.

The Council already ensures there is a sufficient space for play on school sites through BB103 regulations. It is down to individual schools to instigate any initiatives and cannot be a requirement for developers.

19. The South Worcestershire District Council's requested that the Council captures and formally records the rationale for the forward funding of projects at the time of the decision. This is already done as part of the standard decision making process of the Council and therefore no change in regards to this policy is required.

### **Legal, Financial and HR Implications**

20. No changes to the Legal and HR implications from those outlined in the Cabinet report attached as Appendix C.

21. The proposed revisions to the policy aim to provide a more appropriate approach to funding education infrastructure as a result of housing growth. Appendix E sets out the potential impact of these changes on the S106 financial contribution sought on an example development compared to the changes previously proposed.

22. Due to the changes to the pupil yield, the annual return to the DfE forecasting future need will more accurately reflect actual requirements from new developments. This will result in an increase in our basic need budget to allow us to appropriately respond to the funding gap between the cost of new education requirements and the amount that a development can contribute. This will reduce the current strain on this funding stream.

### **Privacy and Public Health Impact Assessments**

23. There is no impact on Privacy or Public Health

### **Equality and Diversity Implications**

24. An Equality Relevance Screening has been completed in respect of these recommendations. The screening did not identify any p()JTJETQ456.91 493.03(i)-6(f)-13(y)rIQ.0000

## **Supporting Information**

- Appendix A – Summary of Responses Received to Consultation
- Appendix B – Revised Draft Worcestershire Education Planning Obligations 2019
- Appendix C – Education Planning S106 CIL Cabinet Report 13 December 2018
- Appendix D – Cabinet Decision Notice 13 December 2018
- Appendix E – Potential impact on financial requirements from new developments
- Appendix F – Equality and Diversity Implications

## **Contact Points**