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## **West Oxfordshire District Council - Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule Consultation June 2024**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for allowing Thames Water Utilities Ltd (Thames Water) to comment on the above.

As you will be aware, Thames Water Utilities Ltd (Thames Water) are the statutory water supply and sewerage undertaker for the area and are hence a “specific consultation body” in accordance with the Town & Country Planning (Local Planning) Regulations 2012. We have the following comments:

Thames Water provide essential water and wastewater infrastructure in order to support growth and deliver environmental improvements. That infrastructure provision can incorporate the provision of buildings such as a new sewage pumping station or a new sewage treatment building for example. The nature of such infrastructure buildings means that there is no impact on other forms of infrastructure requirements such as schools, open space and libraries. Thames Water therefore consider that water and wastewater infrastructure buildings should be exempt from payment of the Community Infrastructure Levy and this appears to be the case in the draft schedule at paragraph 3.5 where “All other non residential development” has a Nil charge which is supported by Thames Water.

We trust the above is satisfactory, but please do not hesitate to contact David Wilson on the above number if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully,

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Thames Water Property Town Planner