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Dear Sir/Madam,

## Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

Further to your letter dated 15<sup>th</sup> March 2013 to our Chief Executive Officer regarding the proposed Community Infrastructure Levy.

From talking to your Charlene Jones and looking at your CIL web information you request comments and a response on the proposal, fees and next steps. I set out the Trust's initial notes following;

- Health is noted in the beneficiaries from the CIL; will this include Mental Health Services? How do we access such funding?
- As a public body will Birmingham & Solihull Mental Health Foundation Trust be exempt from payment as this will in effect be circular.
- Our Trust will be examining all of its sites, premises and future developments within
  the Solihull area over the next 6-12 months. Service and premises investment in the
  area is a requirement over the next four-five years. The CIL implications are a
  concern if this is purely a charge against our developments for the clients and service
  users of the Solihull area.

I confirm we would like to be considered for your focus groups on 'Development' and 'Spend/Finance' and would delegate representatives to attend.

If you want to discuss any aspects of the above do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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