Social housing relief (Regulations 49 and 51)

Important note: all of the steps below must be complied with to avoid the loss of relief or the imposition of a surcharge

The person wishing to benefit from social housing relief must be the owner of the relevant land and assume liability to pay CIL in relation to the development by completing and submitting Form 2.

The person who assumed liability submits a relief claim form (Form 10) and relief assessment (Regulation 51(8)) to the collecting authority before commencing development.

Collecting authority notifies the claimant of the relief (or amount of relief granted).

The relevant person(s) submits a commencement notice (Form 6).

The collecting authority acknowledges receipt of commencement notice.

Commencement

The exemption is lost if the assumption of liability is withdrawn, ceases to have effect or is transferred to another person (Regulation 51(7)).

The exemption is lost if development commences before the collecting authority notifies its decision (Regulation 51(4)).

A surcharge will be imposed for failure to submit a commencement notice before building works begin. Regulation 83

It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure the commencement notice has been received by the collecting authority before they start the development.