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Dear CMA,

I have been contacted many times by residents who face paying estate management fees.

There seems to be a simple friction in that these residents are paying twice for local services. Once through the local council tax and once again through estate management fees.

This strikes me as unfair and inappropriate. Residents of these homes are treated in a different way to residents of fully adopted homes.

A simple solution which I propose would be that where an estate management fee is in place; that the sum payable by each individual household is deducted from their council tax liability. This would allow communities to retain some direct control over how their immediately local environment is managed. It would also take away the unfair position that those households find themselves in compared to other residents in their home towns and villages.

Please acknowledge receipt.

With regards,

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Cornwall Councillor (Bude)
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