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COMPLAINT TO RYE TOWN COUNCIL

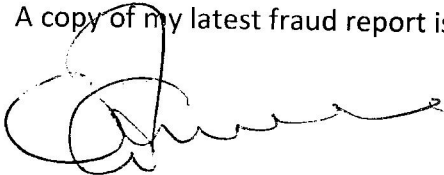
RE: THE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY FRAUD

The facts indicate that Rye Town Council is involved in a £32m fraud by Rother District Council on residents.

Despite being informed that this fraud was underway Rye Town Council has done nothing to prevent it. On the contrary, it has demonstrated its involvement / support for this fraud.

I ask, for the last time, that you take account of the allegations and initiate action to prevent it from taking place.

A copy of my latest fraud report is attached.



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Questions for Rye Town Council

re; the Community Infrastructure Levy

1. Earlier this year Rye Town Council (RTC) took a decision to support the Introduction of a new housing tax, the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), which will cost 160 residents of Rye £2.25m over the next 13 years with no discernable benefits.

Why?

How will this benefit the residents of Rye, and in particular those who do not own their home?

2. The legislation requires residents to be consulted about this new tax.

What has RTC done to discover the views of (50%) residents on CIL?

What has RTC done to ensure that a fair and balanced case is presented to residents and that their responses are accurately re-presented back to RDC?

3. The legislation requires the Charging Authority to demonstrate that a genuine funding shortfall (funding gap) exists before it can introduce the new tax. RTC was informed last year (2014) that the Funding Gap Analysis (claiming a £133m shortfall) put forward by RDC was fictional and was a fraud and did not justify the introduction of CIL. But In March 2015 RTC said: *"Support is given to the findings of the Funding Gap Analysis"*.

Why?

Knowing that the funding gap and shortfall did not exist, why are Rye Town Councillors so keen to support the fraudulent case and the introduction of the new housing tax?

4. On three occasions over the past year I have asked for a meeting with councillors to discuss these serious, potentially criminal, issues but on each occasion it has been rejected.

Why?

What do I have to do to get a (fair) hearing from this council?

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