

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**GOVERNANCE & TRANSFORMATION
CABINET MEMBER**

TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FEES AND CHARGES

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To approve the fees and charges for Technical & Environmental Services for the financial year 2016/17 in relation to the council's Governance and Transformation Cabinet Member Portfolio.
- 1.2 To approve the basis of future changes to fees and charges for the period 2017/2018.
- 1.3 The fees were last considered in August 2015.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 Services are required to consider fees and charges annually in line with approved Corporate Charging policies.
- 2.2 Changes to fees and charges should take into account recovery of cost and budgeted inflation whenever possible. Council priorities and objectives also influence proposals for amending fees and charges.
- 2.3 Some fees and charges are set by Government. The council has no discretion over these. The information in the attached appendix indicates where these apply.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 The recommendation is for the Cabinet Member to approve the proposed fees & charges detailed at Appendix 1 in relation to the 2016/17 financial year, as well as agreeing the basis for any future changes to discretionary fees and charges for the services in question for the financial year 2017/18.
- 3.2 The Cabinet Member has the alternative option of approving alternative fees and charges to those suggested in Appendix 1, with the exception of those set by Government.

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

- 4.1 The recommended option takes into account increases in budgeted income expectations contained in the overall revenue budget for 2016/17. For most fees and charges, an uplift of 2% is suggested in line with the approved increase in income targets for council services agreed by full council at their meeting in February 2016.

4.2 The recommended option also provides future clarity on how discretionary fees and charges might change going forward. The proposal is for uplift in line with the consumer price index at the time of review for the financial year 2017/2018. Therefore, the Cabinet Member would, in 2017/18, only be asked to consider any proposed exception to this level of uplift.

4.3 Approving fees & charges different to those set out at Appendix 1 may influence the ability to meet budgeted income levels.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

5.1 Financial

The financial consequences are detailed in Appendix 1.

5.2 There are no other resource implications.

6. OUTCOMES OF INTERGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

6.1 Not Applicable.

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED

7.1 The Director of Policy and Resources supports the proposals set out in this paper.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 That the Cabinet Member approves the fees and charges for 2016/17 as set out in Appendix 1.

8.2 That the Cabinet Member approves an uplift in discretionary fees and charges to apply for the financial year 2017/2018 for the services in question in line with CPI.

8.3 That the Cabinet Member be asked to consider any future exceptions proposed to 8.2 as and when necessary.

DIRECTOR OF PLACES

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report: Nil

TECHNICAL & ENVIRONMENTAL - FEES AND CHARGES 2016-17

ITEM	Vatable Y/N	PROPOSED CHARGE FOR 2016-17 (INCLUDING VAT WHERE APPLICABLE)
ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY		
Public Path Orders	N	Recovery of Cost, inc administration and advertising
Display Energy Certificate (DEC) 1ST TIME		£227.00
Display Energy Certificate (DEC) REPEAT		£155.00
Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)		Full Cost Recovery
Green Deal Assessment Domestic		£155.00
Green Deal Assessment Commercial		Full Cost Recovery
Hourly Clearance Charges	Y	Full Cost Recovery
High Evergreen and Semi-Evergreen Complaints * 50% reduction applies if unemployed, in receipt of income support, in receipt (or dependant/partner in receipt) of council tax/housing benefit, full time student (21+ hrs p/w) * 10% reduction applies if over 60 years of age (and their partner)	N	£254.00
(any works undertaken will be charged at cost)	Y if within timescale N if notice in default	Full Cost Recovery
Developer Wildlife Surveys (per hour)		£52.00
Tree Survey and Advice (per hour)		£52.00
Landowner deposits relating to public rights of way or greens		£240.00
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH		
CCTV Drain or sewer survey - Domestic		
Per Hour	Y	£122.00
Per Day	Y	£610.00
CCTV Drain or sewer survey - Commercial		
Per Hour	Y	£122.00
Per Day	Y	£732.00
Pest control		
Domestic Rodent (Rats and Mice only) (Benefit)	Y	£22.00
Domestic Rodent (Rats and Mice only) (Non-Benefit)	Y	£43.00
Nuisance pests, eg wasps, ants, fleas (Benefit)	Y	£26.00
Nuisance pests, eg wasps, ants, fleas (Non-Benefit)	Y	£51.00
Commercial Pests per visit	Y	£59.00
Food Surrender Certificates		
- First Hour	Y	£137.00
- Each Additional Hour	Y	£62.00
Food Export/Health Certificates		
First Two Hours	Y	£137.00
Additional charge for the amendment of existing certificates once issued; provision of a duplicate certificate or the provision of a certificate at short notice (required within the same working day)	Y	£62.00
Issue of Exemption Certificate under Illegal Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008.	Y	£20.00
Food Safety Public Register		
Full Copy	N	£184.00
Individual Entry	N	£9.00
Group of Premises	N	£40.00
Professional Assistance		
Per Hour	Y	£80.00
Environmental Land Search		£80.00
Disclosure of Information		
Factual Statement	Y	£136.00
Copy of Voluntary disclosure papers per page	Y	£0.20
Admin/preparation per hour	Y	£52.00
Photographs - each	Y	£5.00
Photographs - administration	Y	£18.00
Video	Y	£52.00
Private Water Supplies		
Risk Assessment (each assessment) Reg 8 and 9 Private Distribution Systems and Large Supplies	N	£500.00
Risk Assessment (each assessment) Reg 110 Small Supplies	N	£100.00
Sampling (each visit) Reg 8 and 9 Private Distribution Systems and Large Supplies	N	£100.00
Sampling (each visit) Reg 10 Small Supplies	N	£50.00
Investigation (each investigation) Reg 8 and 9 Private Distribution Systems and Large Supplies	N	£100.00
Investigation (each investigation) Reg 10 Small Supplies	N	£50.00
Granting an authorisation (each authorisation) Reg 8 and 9 Private Distribution Systems and Large Supplies	N	£100.00
Granting an authorisation (each authorisation) Reg 10 Small Supplies	N	£50.00
Analysing a sample taken under Regulation 10 (Small samples and Single Dwellings)	N	£25.00
Analysing a sample taken during check monitoring Reg 8 and 9 Private Distribution Systems and Large Supplies	N	£100.00
Analysing a sample taken during audit monitoring Reg 8 and 9 Private Distribution and Large Supplies	N	£500.00
Analysing a sample taken during combined audit and check monitoring Reg 8 and 9 Private Distribution System and Large Supplies	N	£500.00
Reclaiming of Stray Dogs		
Statutory Fine	N	£25.00
Dog Warden fee	N	£14.00
Daily Boarding Fee, 08:00 to 17:30 hrs Mon to Sat	N	£16.00
Daily Boarding Fee, 17:31 to 22:00hrs Mon to Sat	N	£18.50
Daily Boarding Fee, 13:00 to 17:30 hrs Sunday	N	£16.00
Daily Boarding Fee, 17:31 to 21:00hrs Sunday	N	£18.50
TRADING STANDARDS		
AUTOMATIC INSTRUMENTS:		
Automatic discontinuous totalisers	Y	
Automatic rail weighbridges	Y	
Automatic catchweighers	Y	£59.00 per hour or part thereof
Automatic gravimetric filling instruments	Y	
Beltweighers	Y	
NAWI WEIGHING INSTRUMENTS:		
Upto 15kg	Y	£59.00 per hour or part thereof
Over 15kg upto 250kg	Y	£96.00 per hour or part thereof
Over 250kg upto 1000kg (including test weights)	Y	£96.00 per hour or part thereof (min charge of 2 hrs)
Over 1000kg (excluding test weights)	Y	£59.00 per hour or part thereof (min charge of 2 hrs)
MEASURING INSTRUMENTS FOR LIQUID FUEL AND LUBRICANTS:		
Single/Multi outlets	Y	£96.00 per hour or part thereof (min charge of 2 hrs)

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ROAD TANKER FUEL MEASURING EQUIPMENT (OVER 100 LITRES):		
Wet/Dry hose system	Y	£96.00 per hour or part thereof (min charge of 2 hrs)
OTHER EQUIPMENT:		
All other equipment, one officer in attendance	Y	£59.00 per hour or part thereof
All other equipment, one officer in attendance plus assistant	Y	£96.00 per hour or part thereof
<p>Verifications outside of normal working hours incur a surcharge of 50% of the standard hourly rate.</p> <p>Verifications carried out on behalf of Yorkshire and Humber Verification Service outside of North Lincolnshire Council boundaries incur a surcharge of 50% of the hourly rate, plus a mileage rate of 50p per mile will be charged from the base at DN15 6NL to and from the location of the equipment under test</p>		
<p>Discounts may be given at the discretion of the Divisional Manager, Trading Standards, where quantities permit economies of scale, or where assistance with testing is provided by the submitter over and above that required by law. Surcharges may be made at the discretion of the Divisional Manager, Trading Standards in cases of exceptional difficulty not covered by regulation.</p>		
CAR PARKING		
<u>Penalty Charge Notices (CPE):</u>		
Higher Level	N	£70.00 (discounted to £35.00 if paid within 14 days)
Lower Level	N	£50.00 (discounted to £25.00 if paid within 14 days)
(these charges are subject to various surcharges if further action is required)		
Dispensations/Suspensions of Parking Restrictions	N	£16.32 per application for 1st day, then £10.91 per subsequent day (upto a maximum of £158.20)
<u>Ticket Advertising:</u>		
Rate per 1,000 upto 90,000	Y	£6.00
Rate per 1,000 between 91,000 and 270,000	Y	£5.00
Rate per 1,000 between 271,000 and 450,000	Y	£4.00
Rate per 1,000 for 451,000 and above	Y	£3.00
Plate charge per colour	Y	£67.00
SECURITY CENTRE		
TeleCare		Dependent on Client need