

REVISED CHARGING FOR PLANNING MEETINGS WITH OFFICERS

Under the provisions of the Planning and Compensation Act 2003 (Section 53), Local Planning authorities are able to charge for informal meetings with applicants, agents, architects etc. On 4 September 2007 it was agreed by the Council's Cabinet to increase the existing charges commencing **1 NOVEMBER 2007**

The revised charges will be as follows (per hour or part thereof):

BAND A	MAJOR PROPOSALS increased FROM £500 TO £600 (10 dwellings or more, over 1000 sq m, 1 ha)
BAND B	MINOR PROPOSALS increased FROM £200 TO £250 (under 10 dwellings, under 1000 sq m)
BAND C	OTHER PROPOSALS REMAINS AT £50 (domestic extensions, adverts)

EXEMPTIONS: include Domestic extension meetings with householder, works affecting Listed Buildings, applications by Parish and Town Councils, applications by registered charities.

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