

## **NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL DECISION**

**DECISION OF:** THE DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT



**DECISION NO:** 19/20 DE328

**SUBJECT:** Development and Environment Fees and Charges 2020/21

**KEY DECISION:** YES

**REASON:** The decision affects services across North Somerset.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Fees and charges represent an important source of income, providing funding to assist in achieving the Council's objectives. Some of our fees and charges are effectively set by legislation but many are locally determined.

Income derived from charging will be used to offset the costs of providing the service being charged for, including support service costs. In setting an appropriate level of fees and charges, managers also take into account their client groups and corporate objectives

### **DECISION:**

In accordance with the Council's constitution, this decision seeks approval for the proposed increases to fees and charges detailed in appendix 1 that are up to and including 5% or are estimated to generate additional annual revenue income up to £100,000.

### **REASONS:**

- Raising revenue from charges for services is an important element in the overall financing of Council services and activities and helps to deliver service and strategic objectives.
- Consideration is therefore given, on a regular basis, to the scope for raising revenue through charges for services and to reviewing the appropriateness and adequacy of the levels of charges being proposed or actually in force.
- Services are generally given an increase in their income targets each year in accordance with agreed budget principles. This will be achieved through a combination of increases to fees and charges, increased use, and through rental and sales income where appropriate. Where information is available, changes to fees and charges will take account of changing circumstances and patterns of service use as well as known and predicted changes to service costs.

- There is a general policy presumption that the levels of fees and charges should rise, each year, in line with the rate of inflation wherever possible. Accordingly, the charges proposed in each service area should be sufficient to meet the additional fees and charges income reflected in the final draft budget, which is detailed in an annual report to the Executive.
- The following represents the range of factors, which service managers need to take into account when setting fees and charges:-
  - Charges determined by primary or secondary legislation
  - Service costs, including inflation
  - Service supply and demand
  - Market conditions
  - Benchmarking with other authorities and other providers
  - Full cost recovery for services provided
  - Affordability

**OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

Service Managers considered alternative pricing within the guidance / framework as described above.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

In general terms, the 2020/21 budget setting process added 1.25% to income budgets, although in some areas a specific additional target was included. The fees set out in this decision notice are designed to ensure that these budget targets are achievable

**LEGAL POWERS AND IMPLICATIONS**

Trading and charging for services has been a feature of local government for a Considerable time. Specific powers to charge for services are contained in a variety of local government statutes. The Local Authorities (Goods and Services) Act 1970, the Local Government Act 2003 and the Localism Act 2011 empower councils to charge for discretionary services on a cost recovery basis

**CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

NA

**CONSULTATION**

The changes are in accordance with the Council’s policy guidance and principles and, as such, no consultation has been undertaken. The revised fees and charges will be published on the Council’s website

**RISK MANAGEMENT**

In some cases, increases in fees and charges can be a disincentive to the take up services.

No material risks have been identified in this respect.

**EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS**

Have you undertaken an Equality Impact Assessment? No

**CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

The contribution made by charging for council services supports other strategic objectives of the council.

**APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 list of increases

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Report to Executive 12 April 2016 – 2016/17 Fees and Charges Schedule

<http://apps.n-somerset.gov.uk/cairo/docs/doc27320.pdf>

16/17 DE 302 Development and Environment Fees and Charges 2017/2018 – Flexible Pricing Policy

SIGNATORIES:

DECISION MAKER(S):

Signed:  Director of Development and Environment

Date: 26 March 2020 .....

## 19/20 DE328 Appendix 1

Increases up to and including 5% or new charges for additional income up to £100,000

	Service being charged	2019/20 charge	2020/21 charge	% increase	Is this a new charge? (Y/N)
<b>Events and Promotions on NSC Land</b>	Category A - Small event commercial	£350.00	£360.00	2.86%	No
	Category A - Small non commercial	£230.00	£235.00	2.17%	No
	Category A - Small charity	£90.00	£94.00	4.44%	No
	Category A - Medium commercial	£520.00	£535.00	2.88%	No
	Category A - Medium non commercial	£345.00	£355.00	2.90%	No
	Category A - Medium charity	£140.00	£145.00	3.57%	No
	Category B - Small event commercial	£180.00	£185.00	2.78%	No
	Category B - Small non commercial	£120.00	£125.00	4.17%	No
	Category B - Small charity	£60.00	£62.00	3.33%	No
	Category B - Medium commercial	£270.00	£280.00	3.70%	No
	Category B - Medium non commercial	£175.00	£180.00	2.86%	No
	Category B - Medium charity	£90.00	£94.00	4.44%	No
	Category B - Major events - Price on Application	POA	POA	N/A	No
	Seafront Premium - Small event commercial		£450.00	N/A	Yes
	Seafront Premium - Small non commercial		£295.00	N/A	Yes
	Seafront Premium - Small charity		£135.00	N/A	Yes
	Seafront Premium - Medium commercial		£670.00	N/A	Yes
	Seafront Premium - Medium non commercial		£445.00	N/A	Yes
	Seafront Premium - Medium charity		£210.00	N/A	Yes
	Seafront Premium - Major events - Price on Application		POA	N/A	Yes
	Funfair - Premium Seafront		£500.00	N/A	Yes
	Funfair - Category A		£400.00	N/A	Yes
	Funfair - Category B		£300.00	N/A	Yes
	Ranger - per hour		£35.00	N/A	Yes
	Application Fee - Small Event		£30.00	N/A	Yes
	Application Fee - Medium Events		£50.00	N/A	Yes
	Application Fee - Major Events		£100.00	N/A	Yes
	Build and breakdown 50% of site fees				No
	Commercial promotion - off peak	£230.00	£235.00	2.17%	No
	Commercial promotion - on peak	£520.00	£530.00	1.92%	No
	Non-commercial promotion	£130.00	£133.00	2.31%	No
	Charity Promotion - off peak	£90.00	£92.00	2.22%	No
	Charity Promotion - on peak	£140.00	£143.00	2.14%	No
<b>CAMPUS AND HALLS</b>	<b>Delegate Packages</b>				
	Full day delegate package - external	£27.50	£28.00	1.82%	No
	Half day delegate package inc lunch - external	£20.50	£21.00	2.44%	No
	Full day delegate package - NSC	£19.50	£20.00	2.56%	No
	Half day delegate no lunch - NSC	£13.50	£14.00	3.70%	No
	<b>Meeting Rooms</b>				
	Standard per hour	£14.00	£14.50	3.57%	No

	Community per hour	£10.50	£11.00	4.76%	No
	Half day 4 HRS	£40.50	£41.00	1.23%	No
	Full day 8 hrs	£78.00	£79.50	1.92%	No
	Half day 4 HRS	£28.00	£28.50	1.79%	No
	Full day 8 HRS	£46.00	£47.00	2.17%	No
	<b>Conference Room 1 or 4</b>				
	Standard per hour	£28.00	£28.50	1.79%	No
	Community per hour	£20.00	£20.50	2.50%	No
	Half day 4 HRS	£110.00	£112.00	1.82%	No
	Full day 8 hrs	£167.00	£170.00	1.80%	No
	Half day 4 HRS	£84.00	£85.50	1.79%	No
	Full day 8 HRS	£140.00	£143.00	2.14%	No
	<b>Conference Room 2 or 3</b>				
	Standard per hour	£36.00	£36.50	1.39%	No
	Community per hour	£23.00	£23.50	2.17%	No
	Half day 4 HRS	£130.00	£132.50	1.92%	No
	Full day 8 hrs	£207.00	£211.00	1.93%	No
	Half day 4 HRS	£101.00	£103.00	1.98%	No
	Full day 8 HRS	£156.00	£159.00	1.92%	No
	<b>Conferencing Equipment to hire - EXTERNAL</b>				
	Data Projector (includes screen FOC) - full day	£54.00	£55.00	1.85%	No
	Data Projector (includes screen FOC) - half day	£54.00	£55.00	1.85%	No
	Laptop only - full day	£54.00	£55.00	1.85%	No
	Laptop only - half day	£54.00	£55.00	1.85%	No
	Flip chart	£12.00	£12.50	4.17%	No
	Display boards	£12.00	£12.50	4.17%	No
	<b>Conferencing Equipment to hire - INTERNAL NSC</b>				
	Data Projector (includes screen FOC) - full day	£44.00	£45.00	2.27%	No
	Data Projector (includes screen FOC) - half day	£44.00	£45.00	2.27%	No
	Laptop only - full day	£44.00	£45.00	2.27%	No
	Laptop only - half day	£44.00	£45.00	2.27%	No
	Flip chart	£10.00	£10.50	5.00%	No
	Display Boards	£10.00	£10.50	5.00%	No
	<b>Sports Hall</b>				
	Adult per hour	9.50	9.65	1.58%	No
	Junior per hour (available until 7pm)	6.40	6.50	1.56%	No
	Half hall - adult per hour/badminton/basketball	19.00	19.25	1.32%	No
	Half hall - junior per hour/badminton/basketball (until 7pm)	12.80	13.00	1.56%	No
	Private hire profit making organisations per hour	£28.00	£ 28.50	1.79%	No
	Private hire profit making organisations per hour - half hall	£14.00	£ 14.25	1.79%	No
	<b>Main Hall</b>				
	Standard (and Private) per hour	£28.00	£28.50	1.79%	No
	Community per hour	£20.00	£20.50	2.50%	No
	<b>Pool</b>				
	Hire of Pool (Hourly - Standard)	£48.50	£49.50	2.06%	No
	Hire of Pool (Hourly - Community)	£28.50	£29.00	1.75%	No
	<b>Grass Pitches</b>				

	Adult Pitch - Matches	60.00	60.75	1.25%	No
	Junior Pitch - matches	32.50	32.90	1.23%	No
	Mini league - hire of junior pitch per game	20.00	20.25	1.25%	No
	<b>Leisure Key</b>				
	Resident Adult	£13.00	£13.20	1.54%	No
	Resident Child	£6.50	£6.60	1.54%	No
	Resident Student	£6.50	£6.60	1.54%	No
	Resident OAP	£6.50	£6.60	1.54%	No
	Concession	£22.00	£22.30	1.36%	No
	Non-resident Adult	£15.00	£15.20	1.33%	No
	Non-resident Child	£7.50	£7.60	1.33%	No
	Non-resident Student	£7.50	£7.60	1.33%	No
	Non-resident OAP	£7.50	£7.60	1.33%	No
	Concession	£26.00	£26.35	1.35%	No
	<b>Castlebatch</b>				
	Whole Hall - Community	£13.00	£13.50	3.85%	No
	Whole Hall - Private	£15.50	£16.00	3.23%	No
	Meeting Room - Private	£11.50	£12.00	4.35%	No
	Whole Building - Community	£25.50	£26.00	1.96%	No
	Whole Building - Private	£30.50	£31.00	1.64%	No
	<b>Somerset Hall Room Hire Only</b>				
	Foyer (Half day 4hs)	£63.00	£64.50	2.38%	No
	Foyer (Full day 8hs)	£104.00	£106.00	1.92%	No
	Foyer and half hall (Half day 4hs)	£115.00	£117.00	1.74%	No
	Foyer and half hall (Full day 8hs)	£156.00	£159.00	1.92%	No
	Foyer and whole hall (Half day 4hs)	£136.00	£139.00	2.21%	No
	Foyer and whole (Full day 8hs)	£193.00	£197.00	2.07%	No
	<b>Locking Castle Children's Centre</b>				
	Play Rooms 1&2, Kitchen - Standard hourly	£36.00	£36.50	1.39%	No
	Play Rooms 1&2, Kitchen - Community hourly	£24.50	£25.00	2.04%	No
	Meeting Room - Standard per hour	£14.00	£14.50	3.57%	No
	Meeting Room - Community per hour	£10.50	£11.00	4.76%	No
<b>Leisure Centres</b>	<b>Badminton – Junior charges apply to 7pm after this time adult charges apply</b>				
	Adult	£9.50	£9.65	1.58%	No
	Junior	£6.40	£6.50	1.56%	No
	<b>Sports Hall hire</b>				
	2 court adult	£19.00	£19.25	1.32%	No
	2 court junior	£12.80	£13.00	1.56%	No
	4 court	£38.00	£38.50	1.32%	No
	<b>Squash – junior charges apply to 7pm after this time adult charges apply</b>				
	Adult	£6.80	£6.90	1.47%	No
	Junior	£4.80	£4.90	2.08%	No
	<b>Swimming</b>				
	School swims	£2.65	£2.70	1.89%	No
	<b>Football - Hutton Moor</b>				
	Adult	£60.00	£60.75	1.25%	No
	Junior (11-16)	£32.50	£32.90	1.23%	No

	Training sessions	£32.50	£32.90	1.23%	No
	Mini-league (under 11's)	£20.00	£20.25	1.25%	No
	<b>Leisure Key</b>				
	Resident Adult	£13.00	£13.20	1.54%	No
	Resident Child	£6.50	£6.60	1.54%	No
	Resident Student	£6.50	£6.60	1.54%	No
	Resident OAP	£6.50	£6.60	1.54%	No
	Concession	£22.00	£22.30	1.36%	No
	Non-resident Adult	£15.00	£15.20	1.33%	No
	Non-resident Child	£7.50	£7.60	1.33%	No
	Non-resident Student	£7.50	£7.60	1.33%	No
	Non-resident OAP	£7.50	£7.60	1.33%	No
	Concession	£26.00	£26.35	1.35%	No
<b>Waste</b>	180L refuse tri-weekly	£5.90	£5.99	1.50%	No
	180L refuse bi-weekly	£5.93	£6.02	1.50%	No
	180L refuse weekly	£6.01	£6.10	1.50%	No
	180L refuse fortnightly	£6.17	£6.26	1.50%	No
	180L refuse monthly	£6.55	£6.65	1.50%	No
	240L refuse tri-weekly	£7.56	£7.67	1.50%	No
	240L refuse bi-weekly	£7.59	£7.70	1.50%	No
	240L refuse weekly	£7.68	£7.80	1.50%	No
	240L refuse fortnightly	£7.87	£7.99	1.50%	No
	240L refuse monthly	£8.30	£8.42	1.50%	No
	360L refuse tri-weekly	£10.39	£10.55	1.50%	No
	360L refuse bi-weekly	£10.44	£10.60	1.50%	No
	360L refuse weekly	£10.58	£10.74	1.50%	No
	360L refuse fortnightly	£10.85	£11.01	1.50%	No
	360L refuse monthly	£11.50	£11.67	1.50%	No
	660L refuse tri-weekly	£13.72	£13.93	1.50%	No
	660L refuse bi-weekly	£13.82	£14.03	1.50%	No
	660L refuse weekly	£14.15	£14.36	1.50%	No
	660L refuse fortnightly	£14.79	£15.01	1.50%	No
	660L refuse monthly	£16.30	£16.54	1.50%	No
	1100L refuse tri-weekly	£18.98	£19.26	1.50%	No
	1100L refuse bi-weekly	£19.13	£19.42	1.50%	No
	1100L refuse weekly	£19.55	£19.84	1.50%	No
	1100L refuse fortnightly	£20.41	£20.72	1.50%	No
	1100L refuse monthly	£22.40	£22.74	1.50%	No
	240L recycling tri-weekly	£5.06	£5.14	1.50%	No
	240L recycling bi-weekly	£5.09	£5.17	1.50%	No
	240L recycling weekly	£5.20	£5.28	1.50%	No
	240L recycling fortnightly	£5.40	£5.48	1.50%	No
	240L recycling monthly	£5.80	£5.89	1.50%	No
	360L recycling tri-weekly	£6.34	£6.44	1.50%	No
	360L recycling bi-weekly	£6.39	£6.49	1.50%	No
	360L recycling weekly	£6.53	£6.63	1.50%	No
	360L recycling fortnightly	£6.80	£6.90	1.50%	No
	360L recycling monthly	£7.45	£7.56	1.50%	No

	660L recycling tri-weekly	£9.42	£9.56	1.50%	No
	660L recycling bi-weekly	£9.52	£9.66	1.50%	No
	660L recycling weekly	£9.85	£10.00	1.50%	No
	660L recycling fortnightly	£10.49	£10.65	1.50%	No
	660L recycling monthly	£12.00	£12.18	1.50%	No
	1100L recycling tri-weekly	£11.78	£11.96	1.50%	No
	1100L recycling bi-weekly	£11.93	£12.11	1.50%	No
	1100L recycling weekly	£12.35	£12.54	1.50%	No
	1100L recycling fortnightly	£13.21	£13.41	1.50%	No
	1100L recycling monthly	£15.20	£15.43	1.50%	No
	55L recycling box (1st box) tri-weekly	£1.51	£1.53	1.50%	No
	55L recycling box (1st box) bi-weekly	£1.51	£1.53	1.50%	No
	55L recycling box (1st box) weekly	£1.52	£1.54	1.50%	No
	55L recycling box (1st box) fortnightly	£1.55	£1.57	1.50%	No
	55L recycling box (1st box) monthly	£1.60	£1.62	1.50%	No
	55L recycling box (extra boxes) tri-weekly	£1.01	£1.03	1.50%	No
	55L recycling box (extra boxes) bi-weekly	£1.01	£1.03	1.50%	No
	55L recycling box (extra boxes) weekly	£1.02	£1.04	1.50%	No
	55L recycling box (extra boxes) fortnightly	£1.05	£1.07	1.50%	No
	55L recycling box (extra boxes) monthly	£1.10	£1.12	1.50%	No
	23L food waste tri-weekly	£2.51	£2.55	1.50%	No
	23L food waste bi-weekly	£2.51	£2.55	1.50%	No
	23L food waste weekly	£2.52	£2.56	1.50%	No
	23L food waste fortnightly	£2.55	£2.59	1.50%	No
	240L garden waste tri-weekly	£7.06	£7.17	1.50%	No
	240L garden waste bi-weekly	£7.09	£7.20	1.50%	No
	240L garden waste weekly	£7.18	£7.29	1.50%	No
	240L garden waste fortnightly	£7.37	£7.48	1.50%	No
	240L garden waste monthly	£7.80	£7.92	1.50%	No
<b>Highways (engineering)</b>	Road accident information for commercial use basic information	£105.00	£110.00	4.76%	No
<b>Highways (network management)</b>	License to oversail the highway using a Tower or Mobile Crane	£151.50	£155.00	2.31%	No
	Retrospective License to oversail the highway using a Tower or Mobile Crane	£303.50	£310.00	2.14%	No
	Any amendment to a license already issued	£30.00	£30.00	N/A	No
	Banners/projectiles over or along the Highway - Application fee	£0.00	£75.00	100.00%	Yes
	Banners/projectiles over or along the Highway - Retrospective fee	£0.00	£150.00	100.00%	Yes
	Banners/projectiles over or along the Highway - Inspection fee where required	£0.00	£50.00	100.00%	Yes
	Christmas lights over the Highway - New Applications	£0.00	POA	100.00%	Yes
	Christmas lights over the Highway - Renewals	£0.00	POA	100.00%	Yes
	Retrospective	£288.00	£300.00	4.17%	No
	New vehicular access from the highway – multiple residences and commercial premises	£0.00	£1,100.00	100.00%	Yes
	New vehicular access from the highway – multiple residences and commercial premises	£0.00	£1,600.00	100.00%	Yes
	Manual input of streetworks notice/permit onto database	£0.00	£30.00	100.00%	Yes
	<b>Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders (TTRO)</b>				
	TTRO 16a (not for profit, CSC sports clubs, or registered charity)	N/A	£250.00	N/A	Yes
	Amendment to a TTRO under section 14 or 16a RTRA	N/A	£250.00	N/A	Yes
<b>NATURAL ENVIRONMENT</b>	Landowner Statements and Declarations Page 15	£119.00	£120.50	1.26%	No
	Landowner Statements and Declarations Page 15	£156.00	£158.00	1.28%	No
	Public Path Order Page 19	£58.00	£59.00	1.72%	No



	Public Path Order Page 19	£825.00	£835.00	1.25%	No
	Public Path Order Page 19	£1,610.00	£1,630.00	1.24%	No
	Public Path Order copy Order Page 19	£6.70	£6.80	1.49%	No
	Public Path Order copy Order inc p&p Page 19	£8.00	£8.10	1.25%	No
	Written Response to Enquiries Page 22	£26.00	£26.30	1.15%	No
	Written Response to Enquiries Additional Page 22	£15.00	£15.20	1.33%	No
	Natural England consent application admin fee	N/A	£30.00	N/A	Yes
<b>ITU</b>	Electric Vehicle Charging (Rapid charge)	N/A	£0.25	N/A	Yes