

Budget-Setting Report (BSR) 2025/26 - Review of Charges

In the Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) October 2024 the general inflation assumption (target) for income and charges was 2.5% for 2025/6 and 2.3% 2026/27. All areas are required to review fees and charges (including property rental income based on detailed projections and rent reviews) and, if any specific review results in material additional or reduced income, then these are identified and included in the Budget- Setting Report (BSR) February 2025 as budget proposals.

Group	Charges	Contacts
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	HMOs, Enforcement	
City Services	Parking	Daniel Morgan
	Taxi Testing	Peter Birch
	Control of Dogs	Wendy Johnson
	Markets	Tim Jones
	Moorings	Alistair Wilson
	Open Spaces	Alistair Wilson
	Sports and Recreation	Ian Ross
Corporate	Guildhall Lettings	Dan Kalley
Shared Waste Service	Shared Waste	Bode Esan
Shared Planning	Land Charges	Charlene Harper
All Licensing	Business Licensing	Yvonne O'Donnell
	Taxi Licensing	
	Licensing & Gambling Act	
	Animal Licensing	
	Scrap Metal Dealers	Tim Jones
	Street Trading	

Communities

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2024/25 £	Proposed Charges 2025/26 £	% Increase 2025/26
Environmental Services				
Pest Control Treatments for Residential, (rats, mice & cockroaches) - initial visit and up to 2 re-visits. (Charge applicable to those not in receipt of benefits). Please Note - Inclusion of this line is subject to approval.	Discretionary	N/A	96.00	0.0%
Pest Control Treatments for Businesses / Commercial per hour (minimum half hour)	Discretionary	114.33	117.19	2.5%
House / Car Alarms (fee includes administration costs)	Discretionary	Actual Costs	Actual Costs	0.0%
Food Surrender and Disposal	Discretionary	Actual Costs	Actual Costs	0.0%
Food Register - entire register printed	Discretionary	1,043.00	1,069.00	2.5%
Online Highfield Courses	Discretionary	32.00	33.00	3.1%
Examination following on-line courses	Discretionary	Actual Costs	Actual Costs	0.0%
Tailored Training	Discretionary	Actual Costs	Actual Costs	0.0%
Mentoring Training per hour	Discretionary	87.50	90.00	2.9%
Primary Authority Partnership Scheme per hour	Discretionary	87.50	90.00	2.9%
Contaminated Land (per Enquiry/Polygon)	Discretionary	253.38	259.71	2.5%
Food Hygiene Ratings (FHRS) Rescore	Discretionary	222.48	228.00	2.5%
Smoke Control Areas CPN	Statutory	Case by case basis using agreed matrix, maximum of £300	Case by case basis using agreed matrix, maximum of £300	0.0%

Communities - Housing General Fund

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2024/25 £	Proposed Charges 2025/26 £	% Increase 2025/26
Licences:				
HMO Licences - New Applications	Discretionary	1,068.11	1,094.81	2.5%
HMO Licence - Renewals	Discretionary	1,068.11	1,094.81	2.5%
HMO Licence - Renewals - if submitted at least 8 weeks prior to expiry of current licence	Discretionary	960.99	985.01	2.5%
Assisted application	Discretionary	Cost	Cost	0.0%
Enforcement Activity				
Financial penalty for non compliance (not belonging to one of the approved Property Redress schemes).	Statutory	Monthly Local Housing Allowance Rate for the property, up to a maximum of £5,000	Double the monthly Local Housing Allowance Rate for the property, up to a maximum of £5.000	0.0%
Subsequent offences	Statutory	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.0%
Financial penalty for non compliance with the Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Regulations.	Statutory	Monthly Local Housing Allowance Rate for the property, up to a maximum of £5,000	Double the monthly Local Housing Allowance Rate for the property, up to a maximum of £5.000	0.0%
Fixed penalty for failure to produce an Energy Performance Certificate, EPC, as per the requirements of the Energy Act 2016	Statutory	200.00	200.00	0.0%
Financial Penalty for failure to comply with The Energy Efficiency (Private Rented Property) (England & Wales) Regulations 2015, MEES	Statutory	Maximum financial penalty of up to £5,000 taking into account the fine criteria and individual maximum penalties specified under Regulation 40 on a case by case basis.	Maximum financial penalty of up to £5,000 taking into account the fine criteria and individual maximum penalties specified under Regulation 40 on a case by case basis.	0.0%
Financial Penalties for: "relevant housing offences" Housing Act 2004 as amended by the Housing and Planning Act 2016. Breaches of Regulation 3 of The Electrical Safety Standards in the Private Rented Sector (England) Regulations 2020 sections (4), (5a), (6).	Statutory	Case by case basis using agreed matrix, maximum of £30,000 per offence	Case by case basis using reviewed Civil Penalties Matrix, maximum of £30,000 per offence, (inc's 15% discount in original calculated penalty if paid in 28 days).	0.0%
Charge for the service of an Improvement Notice under the Housing Act 2004	Statutory	394.49	404.35	2.5%
Charge for the service of a Prohibition Order under the Housing Act 2004	Statutory	357.41	366.35	2.5%
Charge for the service of an Emergency Remedial Action Notice under the Housing Act 2004	Statutory	334.75	343.12	2.5%
Charge for the review of Suspended notices or orders served under the Housing Act 2004	Statutory	119.48	122.47	2.5%
Training and other services				
Delivering training and other discretionary services for landlords and agents (Includes development, promotion, overheads and associated costs)	Discretionary	At Cost	At Cost	0.0%
Landlord training (per delegate)	Discretionary	At Cost	At Cost	0.0%

Note - Awaiting the enactment of the Renters Rights Bill during 2025/26 which will include further provisions that we as a council can issue Financial / Civil Penalties to those responsible for private rented sector housing in the city as an alternative to prosecution.

City Services - Parking

All fees are Discretionary

Daytime tariff applies between the following hours:

8am to 6pm Monday to Saturday
10am to 6pm on Sundays

Evenings and Overnight tariff applies from 6pm to 8am (10am on Sundays)

MULTISTOREY CAR PARKS (Pay on foot)	2024/25		2025/26		2025/26 from 2024/25	
	Monday to Sunday OFF PEAK	Monday to Sunday PEAK	Monday to Friday	Saturday & Sunday	Comparisons % Change	
Grand Arcade	Entries at all other times	For entries between 8am to 10am Mon - Fri 11am to 1pm Sat & Sun	Weekdays	Weekends	Weekdays	Weekends
1hr	£3.10	£3.60	£3.60	£4.60	16.1%	27.8%
2hrs	£6.10	£7.20	£7.20	£9.20	18.0%	27.8%
3hrs	£9.10	£10.80	£10.80	£13.80	18.7%	27.8%
4hrs	£13.50	£15.70	£15.70	£18.90	16.3%	20.4%
5hrs	£23.70	£26.40	£26.40	£29.40	11.4%	11.4%
over 5 hrs	£30.00	£33.10	£33.10	£36.10	10.3%	9.1%
evenings & overnight (per hour)	£0.00	£0.00	£1.50	£1.50		

Queen Anne Terrace	Entries at all other times	For entries between 8am to 10am Mon - Fri 11am to 1pm Sat & Sun	Weekdays	Weekends	Weekdays	Weekends
1hr	£1.70	£2.30	£2.30	£3.00	35.3%	30.4%
2hrs	£3.40	£4.60	£4.60	£6.00	35.3%	30.4%
3hrs	£5.00	£6.90	£6.90	£9.00	38.0%	30.4%
4hrs	£6.60	£9.00	£9.20	£11.30	39.4%	25.6%
5hrs	£8.20	£11.30	£11.50	£13.60	40.2%	20.4%
6hrs	£13.20	£15.60	£15.60	£18.00	18.2%	15.4%
over 6 hrs	£17.50	£20.00	£21.00	£24.00	20.0%	20.0%
evenings & overnight	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	0.0%	0.0%

Park Street	Entries at all other times	For entries between 8am to 10am Mon - Fri 11am to 1pm Sat & Sun	Weekdays	Weekends	Weekdays	Weekends
1hr	£3.10	£3.60	£3.60	£4.60	16.1%	27.8%
2hrs	£6.10	£7.20	£7.20	£9.20	18.0%	27.8%
3hrs	£9.10	£10.80	£10.80	£13.80	18.7%	27.8%
4hrs	£13.50	£15.70	£15.70	£18.90	16.3%	20.4%
5hrs	£23.70	£26.40	£26.40	£29.40	11.4%	11.4%
over 5 hrs	£30.00	£33.10	£33.10	£36.10	10.3%	9.1%
evenings & overnight	£0.00	£0.00	£1.50	£1.50		

Grafton East	Entries at all other times	For entries between 8am to 10am Mon - Fri 11am to 1pm Sat & Sun	Weekdays	Weekends	Weekdays	Weekends
1hr	£2.60	£3.20	£3.00	£3.90	15.4%	21.9%
2hrs	£5.00	£6.20	£6.00	£7.80	20.0%	25.8%
3hrs	£7.40	£9.20	£9.00	£11.70	21.6%	27.2%
4hrs	£12.00	£14.20	£14.00	£16.60	16.7%	16.9%
5hrs	£20.70	£23.40	£23.00	£26.00	11.1%	11.1%
over 5 hrs	£27.60	£30.80	£30.00	£33.00	8.7%	7.1%
evenings & overnight	£0.00	£0.00	£1.20	£1.20		

Grafton West	Entries at all other times	For entries between 8am to 10am Mon - Fri 11am to 1pm Sat & Sun	Weekdays	Weekends	Weekdays	Weekends
1hr	£2.60	£3.20	£3.00	£3.90	15.4%	21.9%
2hrs	£5.00	£6.20	£6.00	£7.80	20.0%	25.8%
3hrs	£7.40	£9.20	£9.00	£11.70	21.6%	27.2%
4hrs	£12.00	£14.20	£14.00	£16.60	16.7%	16.9%
5hrs	£20.70	£23.40	£23.00	£26.00	11.1%	11.1%
over 5 hrs	£27.60	£30.80	£30.00	£33.00	8.7%	7.1%
evenings & overnight	£0.00	£0.00	£1.20	£1.20		

SURFACE CAR PARKS				
ADAM AND EVE STREET Pay & Display		Monday to Saturday 8am to 6pm Sunday 10am to 6pm		
Maximum stay 2 hours	2024/25	2025/26	Evenings and overnight	% change
Charges	80p for 20 mins (£2.40/hr)	£1.40 for 30 mins (£2.80/hr)	Free	16.7%

CASTLE HILL CAR PARK Pay & Display		Monday to Saturday 8am to 6pm Sunday 10am to 6pm		
Charges	2024/25	2025/26	Evenings and overnight	% change
Up to 2 hours	£2.80	£2.80	Free	0.0%
2-4 hours	£5.30	£5.60		5.7%
over 4 hours	£8.90	£8.90		0.0%
Sunday - all day charge	£4.50	£4.50		0.0%
Weekly ticket (7 days)	£42.00	£42.00		0.0%

GWYDIR STREET CAR PARK Pay & Display		Monday to Saturday 8am to 6pm		
Maximum stay 2 hours	2024/25	2025/26	Evenings and overnight	% change
Charges	90p for 30 mins (£1.80/hr)	£1.20 for 30 mins (£2.40/hr)	Free	33.3%

RIVERSIDE CAR PARK Pay & Display		Monday to Saturday 8am to 6pm		
Maximum stay 8 hours	2024/25	2025/26	Evenings and overnight	% change
Charges	80p for 30 mins (£1.60/hr)	£1 for 30 mins (£2/hr)	Free	25.0%

SEASON TICKET CHARGES - Business Permits				
Queen Anne Terrace & Grafton Centre car parks		Quarterly Fee 2024/25 inc VAT	Quarterly Fee 2025/26 inc VAT	% change
24/7 Premium (Grafton East, Grafton West & Queen Anne Terrace car parks)		£1,030.00	£1,250.00	21.4%
Monday-Friday 8am -6pm (one car park*)		£625.00	£825.00	32.0%
Monday-Friday 24/5 (one car park*)		N/A	£1,000.00	
Night owl 6pm to 8am, 7 nights a week (one car park*)		N/A	£530.00	

Note * excluding Grand Arcade & Park Street car parks

DISABLED BADGE HOLDERS

Multi Storey car parks: First three hours parking free, on production of a valid Blue Badge to the City Council at the Grand Arcade, Grafton East, Grafton West, Queen Anne Terrace and Park Street car parks.
Where durations of stay are in excess of three hours the normal car park charges will apply as if from the first hour, i.e. the fourth will be charged as if it were the first hour, the fifth as if it were the second hour, etc.

Adam & Eve, Castle Hill Gwydir Street and Riverside pay & Display car parks: Three hours free parking during charging hours when a valid Blue Badge and time clock is displayed

City Services

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2024/25 £	Proposed Charges 2025/26 £	% Increase 2025/26
Taxi Vehicle Testing by the Garage				
Mechanical Fitness Test (Twice Yearly)	Discretionary	73.00	74.83	2.5%
Re-test if works carried out at a separate garage and returned within 10 days	Discretionary	37.00	37.93	2.5%
Re-test if works carried out at a separate garage and returned after 10 days	Discretionary	78.00	79.95	2.5%
Dogs				
Statutory Fee for all stray dogs**	Statutory	25.00	25.00	0.0%
Collection and transportation cost of stray dogs in normal office hours	Discretionary	82.00	84.05	2.5%
Kennels registration and vet checking fee	Discretionary	64.00	65.60	2.5%
Daily kennel charges	Discretionary	20.00	20.50	2.5%
Markets				
Cambridge Retail Market				
Monday - Tuesday rents				
General Market Weekday Premium	Discretionary	21.70	22.25	2.5%
General Market Weekday Standard	Discretionary	10.00	12.50	25.0%
Wednesday - Friday rents				
General Market Weekday Premium	Discretionary	21.70	22.25	2.5%
General Market Weekday Standard	Discretionary	18.00	18.50	2.8%
General Market Weekend Premium	Discretionary	43.50	45.00	3.4%
General Market Weekend Standard	Discretionary	36.00	38.00	5.6%
Hot Food Premium	Discretionary	8.00	8.50	6.3%
Casual Trading Premium	Discretionary	7.50	7.50	0.0%
*Storage Units	Discretionary	18.40	18.40	0.0%
All Saints Craft Fair				
Monday - Friday rents	Discretionary	16.65	20.00	20.1%
Saturday rent	Discretionary	37.00	38.00	2.7%
All Markets - Administration Fees				
Variations Fee - applicable for any changes that result in the production of a new licence.	Discretionary	35.00	35.00	0.0%
Mooring Fees*				
Tariff Class 30 - vessel up to 5 metres	Discretionary	1,057.00	1,093.00	3.4%
Tariff Class 32 - vessel under 3 metres	Discretionary	1,057.00	1,093.00	3.4%
Tariff Class 33 - Vessel 3 to 5 metres	Discretionary	1,057.00	1,093.00	3.4%
Tariff Class 34 - Vessel 5 to 7.5 metres	Discretionary	1,128.00	1,166.00	3.4%
Tariff Class 35 - Vessel 7.5 to 10 metres	Discretionary	1,198.00	1,239.00	3.4%
Tariff Class 36 - Vessel 10 to 12.5 metres	Discretionary	1,269.00	1,312.00	3.4%
Tariff Class 37 - Vessel 12.5 to 15 metres	Discretionary	1,339.00	1,385.00	3.4%
Tariff Class 38 - Vessel 15 to 20 metres	Discretionary	1,410.00	1,458.00	3.4%
Tariff Class 39 - Vessel over 20 metres	Discretionary	1,552.00	1,605.00	3.4%
Tariff Class 51 - Any other vessel	Discretionary	1,552.00	1,605.00	3.4%
* All charges are subject to VAT.				
** The agreed fee increase for the 2022/23 financial year is as per the Review of Moorings Policy (March 2017) - RPIX for September 2021 - 5%				
* These charges are shown net of VAT				
** Externally set fees and charges				

City Services - Open Spaces

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2024/25 £	Proposed Charges 2025/26 £	% Increase 2025/26
Allotments				
Standard size is 10 rods (300 m2)				
Allotment Full size	Discretionary	68.00	78.00	14.7%
Allotment Half size	Discretionary	34.00	39.00	14.7%
Allotment starter plot	Discretionary	24.00	28.00	16.7%
Parks, Commons & Open Spaces				
Grazing				
Cows	Discretionary	75.00	75.00	0.0%
Cows - 10 or more (per beast)	Discretionary	48.00	45.00	(6.3%)
Parks & Open Spaces Lettings				
Application Fee - all applicants (may be returnable for local events if criteria met) (Plus VAT)	Discretionary	145.00	150.00	3.4%
Filming on parks and open spaces (Non Commercial)	Discretionary	Free	Free	0.0%
Filming on parks and open spaces (Commercial)	Discretionary	Negotiable	Negotiable	0.0%
Daily Hire - Fairs #	Discretionary	590.00	600.00	1.7%
Daily Hire - Circuses #	Discretionary	500.00	500.00	0.0%
Setting up/Pulling down days (For events where hire fee is more)	Discretionary	280.00	280.00	0.0%
Ongoing business use e.g. fitness classes (per quarter)	Discretionary	430.00	440.00	2.3%
Non Commercial Public Events ‡	Discretionary	340.00	350.00	2.9%
National Charities ‡	Discretionary	260.00	265.00	1.9%
Local events / demos ‡	Discretionary	Free	Free	0.0%
Fun Runs and Charity Walks (Local Charity Run/100% beneficiary)(under 500 participants)	Discretionary	Free	Free	0.0%
Commercial Public Events on City Centre Parks: †	Discretionary	Negotiable	Negotiable	0.0%
- minimum charge for lettings up to and over 1,000 sq. metres	Discretionary	1,100.00	1,125.00	2.3%
- additional charge per square metre for lettings over 1,000 sq. metres	Discretionary	2.50	2.50	0.0%
Commercial Public Events on Other Parks & Open Spaces: †	Discretionary	Negotiable	Negotiable	0.0%
- minimum charge for lettings up to and over 1,000 sq. metres	Discretionary	580.00	590.00	1.7%
- additional charge per square metre for lettings over 1,000 sq. metres	Discretionary	2.50	2.50	0.0%
Use of a Premises Licence for external event providers	Discretionary	At Pro rata cost per day of total licence fee	At Pro rata cost per day of total licence fee	0.0%
Provision of Wi-Fi facility for commercial events	Discretionary	Free Where Existing	Free Where Existing	0.0%
Internal Event/Cambridge Live - No Fees	Discretionary	160.00	160.00	0.0%
Internal Event/Cambridge Live - Fee Paying	Discretionary	215.00	215.00	0.0%
Bill Posting				
A4 size poster	Discretionary	7.00	7.20	2.9%
A3 size poster	Discretionary	8.00	8.20	2.5%
A2 size poster	Discretionary	11.00	11.20	1.8%
A1 size poster	Discretionary	15.00	15.40	2.7%
A0 size poster	Discretionary	48.00	49.20	2.5%
Lammas Land Car Park				
Monday to Friday				
Up to 2 Hours	Discretionary	2.30	2.80	21.7%
Up to 4 Hours	Discretionary	5.50	6.50	18.2%
Up to 5 Hours	Discretionary	11.00	13.00	18.2%
Up to 8 Hours (Maximum allowed)	Discretionary	22.50	25.00	11.1%
Saturday and Sunday				
Up to 2 Hours	Discretionary	2.30	2.80	21.7%
Up to 4 Hours	Discretionary	5.50	6.50	18.2%
Up to 5 Hours (Maximum allowed)	Discretionary	10.00	12.00	20.0%
Cherry Hinton Hall Car Park				
Monday to Friday				
Up to 1 Hour	Discretionary	N/A	1.00	N/A
Up to 2 Hours	Discretionary	N/A	2.80	N/A
Up to 4 Hours	Discretionary	N/A	6.50	N/A
Up to 8 Hours	Discretionary	N/A	13.00	N/A
Saturday and Sunday				
Up to 1 Hour	Discretionary	N/A	1.00	N/A
Up to 2 Hours	Discretionary	N/A	2.80	N/A
Up to 4 Hours	Discretionary	N/A	6.50	N/A
Up to 8 Hours	Discretionary	N/A	12.00	N/A
Trolley Collection				
Trolleys-Council collection and delivery of trolley back to store imediately	Discretionary	74.00	75.85	2.5%
Council collection and storage of trolleys collected 1st Week	Discretionary	80.00	82.00	2.5%
Council collection and storage of trolleys collected 2nd Week	Discretionary	102.00	104.55	2.5%
Council collection and storage of trolleys collected 3rd Week	Discretionary	124.00	127.10	2.5%
Council collection and storage of trolleys collected 4th Week	Discretionary	145.00	148.63	2.5%
Council collection and storage of trolleys collected 5th Week	Discretionary	170.00	174.25	2.5%
Council collection and storage of trolleys collected 6th Week	Discretionary	188.00	192.70	2.5%
Council collection and storage of trolleys disposed of after 6 weeks	Discretionary	190.00	194.75	2.5%

‡ to include fun runs, cycle rides and charity walks, up to 500 participants

† to include fun runs, cycle rides and charity walks, over 500 participants

A sealed bid process may be applicable where more than one application is made for dates

City Services - Sport & Recreation

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2024/25 £	Proposed Charges 2025/26 £	% Increase 2025/26
Sports & Recreation Charges (including VAT)				
Sports Facilities				
Cricket				
Adult Per pitch	Discretionary	51.50	52.75	2.4%
Including Pavilion	Discretionary	67.00	68.75	2.6%
Junior per pitch (Under 16's)	Discretionary	32.50	33.25	2.3%
Including Pavilion	Discretionary	40.00	41.00	2.5%
Football & Rugby				
Per pitch including Pavilion	Discretionary	66.00	67.75	2.7%
Junior per pitch including Pavilion (Under 16's)	Discretionary	36.00	37.00	2.8%
8-a-side pitch	Discretionary	26.75	27.50	2.8%
American Football				
Per pitch (including 4 changing rooms)	Discretionary	115.50	118.50	2.6%
Junior (Under 16's) per pitch (including 4 changing rooms)	Discretionary	57.50	59.00	2.6%
Rounders				
Per Pitch	Discretionary	28.00	28.75	2.7%
Per Pitch - Junior (Under 16's)	Discretionary	14.50	14.75	1.7%
Tennis				
Court hire for 45 minutes per court				
Peak Time - Mon-Sun 12:00-14:30 & 18:00 - 20:00				
Jesus Green & Christs Pieces - Hire per court - Peak	Discretionary	FREE	5.00	NEW
Jesus Green & Christs Pieces - Hire per court - Off Peak	Discretionary	FREE	2.00	NEW
Nightingale, Lammas Land, Coleridge, Cherry Hinton, Trumpington	Discretionary	FREE	FREE	NEW
Abbey 3G Pitch - Prices TBC June 2025				
Discretionary		NEW	TBC	NEW
Changing Room Hire - Per Game				
Additional Changing Room (per room)	Discretionary	15.50	16.00	3.2%
Swimming Services*				
The charges relating to the swimming services are the HEADLINE prices				
These charges are the MOST the Leisure Contractor can charge for an activity				
The Leisure Contractor can REDUCE any or all of the activity prices BELOW the headline price if they wish.				
Swimming Prices - All Pools				
Adult - Non Residents				
Adult Residents (upto 20% discount)	Discretionary	6.20	7.50	21.0%
Adult Students (upto 30% discount)	Discretionary	5.25	6.00	14.3%
Adult Concessions (upto 50% discount)	Discretionary	4.35	5.25	20.7%
	Discretionary	2.75	3.75	36.4%
Juniors are 17 years and under				
Junior - Non Residents				
Junior Residents (upto 20% discount)	Discretionary	3.50	3.75	7.1%
Junior Concessions (upto 50% discount)	Discretionary	3.10	3.10	0.0%
Under 3's	Discretionary	1.75	1.85	5.7%
	Discretionary	FREE	FREE	0.0%
Parkside Pools Hires				
Main Pool Hire - per hour (Non Commercial)	Discretionary	156.50	160.50	2.6%
Main Pool Hire - per hour (Commercial)	Discretionary	412.00	430.00	4.4%
Lane Hire	Discretionary	29.00	29.75	2.6%
Diving Pool - per hour (Non Commercial)	Discretionary	90.00	92.50	2.8%
Diving Pool - per hour (Commercial)	Discretionary	128.75	134.00	4.1%
Children's Pool Hire - per hour (Non Commercial)	Discretionary	58.50	60.00	2.6%
Children's Pool Hire - per hour (Commercial)	Discretionary	72.00	75.00	4.2%
Flumes	Discretionary	70.00	72.00	2.9%
Non-City LEA School Swim	Discretionary	2.25	2.30	2.2%
Abbey Pool Hires				
Pool Hire - per hour (Non Commercial)	Discretionary	103.00	106.00	2.9%
Pool Hire - per hour (Commercial)	Discretionary	129.00	134.50	4.3%
Learner Pool Hire - per hour (Non Commercial)	Discretionary	51.50	53.00	2.9%
Learner Pool Hire - per hour (Commercial)	Discretionary	72.00	75.00	4.2%
Gala Hire - per hour (City Clubs)	Discretionary	190.50	195.50	2.6%
Gala Hire - per hour (Commercial)	Discretionary	283.00	295.00	4.2%
Non-City LEA School Swim	Discretionary	2.25	2.30	2.2%
Kings Hedges Pool Hires				
Pool Hire - per hour - Non Commercial	Discretionary	48.00	49.50	3.1%
Pool Hire - per hour - (Commercial)	Discretionary	72.00	75.00	4.2%
Jesus Green Outdoor Pool Hires				
Pool hire per Hour - Non Commercial	Discretionary	134.00	137.50	2.6%
Pool hire per Hour - (Commercial)	Discretionary	360.50	376.00	4.3%
Health Suites				
Abbey Pool				
Sauna & Swim	Discretionary	9.00	9.50	5.6%

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2024/25 £	Proposed Charges 2025/26 £	% Increase 2025/26
GP Referral				
Swimming Session - Abbey, Parkside, Kings Hedges				
Induction	Discretionary	11.00	11.25	2.3%
Session	Discretionary	4.25	4.40	3.5%
Annual Membership Cards				
Adult Residents (up to 20% discount)	Discretionary	15.50	15.50	0.0%
Adult Students (up to 30% Discount)	Discretionary	10.50	10.50	0.0%
Adult Concessions (up to 50% Discount)	Discretionary	6.00	6.00	0.0%
Junior Residents (up to 20% discount)	Discretionary	6.00	6.00	0.0%
Junior Concessions (up to 50% Discount)	Discretionary	3.00	3.00	0.0%
Non City Residents - Adults (upto 20% Discount)	Discretionary	40.00	50.00	25.0%
Non City Residents - Juniors (Upto 20% Discount)	Discretionary	20.00	25.00	25.0%
Cherry Hinton Village Centre				
Activity				
Main Hall per Hour - Adult	Discretionary	55.00	56.50	2.7%
Main Hall per Hour - Junior (17yr & Under)	Discretionary	32.00	32.75	2.3%
Large Meeting Room per hour - (Community)	Discretionary	24.75	25.50	3.0%
Large Meeting Room per hour - (Commercial)	Discretionary	35.50	37.00	4.2%
Small Meeting Room per hour - (Community)	Discretionary	13.00	13.50	3.8%
Small Meeting Room per hour - (Commercial)	Discretionary	21.50	22.50	4.7%
Admission on Sports Bookings per person	Discretionary	0.30	0.30	0.0%
Badminton Court per hour - Adult	Discretionary	15.50	16.00	3.2%
Badminton Court per hour - Junior (17yr & Under)	Discretionary	9.00	9.25	2.8%

Corporate

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2023/24 £	Proposed Charges 2024/25 £	% Increase 2024/25
Guildhall Meeting Rooms, Committee Rooms Council Chamber and Members Lounge				
Guildhall Meeting Rooms (per hour)	Discretionary	16.48	17.00	3.2%
Committee Room (s)	Discretionary	33.99	35.00	3.0%
Council Chamber	Discretionary	112.27	115.00	2.4%
Members Lounge	Discretionary	16.48	17.00	3.2%
Exhibition area	Discretionary	11.33	12.00	5.9%
Internal City Council Hirer - Office hours	Discretionary	No charge	No charge	0.0%
Internal City Council Hirer - Out of office Hours, bank holiday and weekends	Discretionary	Actual Cost of staffing	Actual Cost of staffing	0.0%
Shared Services/Greater Cambridge Partnership - Office hours up to half a day	Discretionary	No charge	No charge	0.0%
Shared Services/Greater Cambridge Partnership - Other times - per hour*	Discretionary	Hourly Rate as above	Hourly Rate as above	0.0%
Public Sector Partner - Office hours up to half a day **	Discretionary	No charge	No charge	0.0%
Public Sector Partner - Other times - per hour **	Discretionary	Hourly Rate as above	Hourly Rate as above	0.0%
Community & Voluntary Sector - Office hours up to half a day **	Discretionary	No charge	No charge	0.0%
Community & Voluntary Sector - Other times - per hour **	Discretionary	Hourly Rate as above	Hourly Rate as above	0.0%
Commercial Hires - per hour **	Discretionary	Hourly Rate as above	Hourly Rate as above	0.0%
**Includes Staffing charge				
All customers will pay for additional costs of refreshments plus the cost of external Audio Visual use support				

Shared Waste

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2024/25 £	Proposed Charges 2025/26 £	% Increase 2025/26
Shared Waste Service				
Hazardous domestic collections				
Per Item (Fridge / Freeze / CRT Monitor / TV / Microwaves etc.)	Discretionary	27.00	31.00	14.8%
Domestic collections - Bulky Collections				
One to three items (excluding hazardous items)	Discretionary	34.00	38.00	11.8%
More than three items (per item and maximum 9 items)	Discretionary	6.00	6.20	3.3%
Charge to empty contaminated bin / additional empty (per bin)	Discretionary	33.00	37.00	12.1%
Clearance of rubbish from bin stores	Discretionary	By quote	By quote	0.0%
Bins				
Delivery of bin(s) for new property	Discretionary	90.00	90.00	0.0%
Additional approved black bin - for large families etc.	Discretionary	56.00	30.00	(46.4%)
Replacement of any damaged bin	Discretionary	FREE	FREE	0.0%
Replacement of any lost bin	Discretionary	FREE	30.00	0.0%
Additional Blue Bin (2nd/3rd/4th)	Discretionary	FREE	30.00	0.0%
Additional green bin charge - per additional bin (October to October)	Discretionary	45.00	50.00	11.1%
Additional garden waste capacity for flats (per 1100l bin)	Discretionary	85.00	91.00	7.1%
Recycling Kitchen Caddy Sacks (in packs of 50). Includes VAT.	Discretionary	4.20	7.50	78.6%

Shared Planning

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2024/25 £	Proposed Charges 2025/26 £	% Increase 2025/26
Land Charges				
LLC1 Official Search in respect of one parcel of land	Discretionary	45.00	46.00	2.2%
Residential Search *				
CON29R	Discretionary	151.00	154.00	2.0%
LLC1 and CON29R (Full Residential Search)	Discretionary	196.00	200.00	2.0%
Additional Parcels of Land	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Additional Parcels of Land LLC1	Discretionary	1.00	1.00	0.0%
Commercial Search				
CON29R**	Discretionary	273.00	280.00	2.6%
LLC1 and CON29R (Full Commercial Search)	Discretionary	318.00	326.00	2.5%
Additional Parcels of Land	Discretionary	30.00	31.00	3.3%
Additional Parcels of Land LLC1	Discretionary	1.00	1.00	0.0%
Additions				
Additional Enquiries *	Discretionary	28.00	29.00	3.6%
Historic File Request (per address)	Discretionary	50.00	50.00	0.0%
Invalid planning applications**	Discretionary	10% of application fee for closed or withdrawn applications	10% of application fee for closed or withdrawn applications	0.0%
Hard copy planning applications handling fee - Major applications (per application)**	Discretionary	103.00	105.58	2.5%
Hard copy planning applications handling fee - General & Other applications (per application)**	Discretionary	51.50	52.79	2.5%
CON290 (Optional Enquiries) *				
Q4 - Road Proposals	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q5 - Advertisements	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q6 - Completion Notices	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q7- Parks & Countryside	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q8 - Pipelines	Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Q9 - House in Multiple Occupation	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q10- Noise Abatement and other Nuisances	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q11 - Urban Development Areas	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q12 - Enterprise Zones	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q13 - Inner Urban Development Areas	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q14 - Simplified Planning Zones	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q15 - Land Maintenance Notices	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q16 - Mineral Consultation Areas	Discretionary but set by County Council	15.30	15.68	2.5%
Q17 - Hazardous Substance Consents	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q18 - Environmental & Pollution Notices	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q19 - Food Safety Notices	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q20 - Hedgerow Notices	Discretionary	18.00	19.00	5.6%
Q21 - Flood Defence and Land Drainage Consents	Discretionary but set by County Council	15.30	15.68	2.5%
Q22 - Common Land, Town and Village Greens	Discretionary but set by County Council	30.60	31.37	2.5%
Discretionary services (including Pre-application work and Planning and Performance Agreements (PPAs)) will be charged for on a case by case basis. This charge will be based on full recovery of the cost of delivering the agreed work. Officer time will be charged at the following rate according to the officer band:				
Executive Director	Discretionary	340.00	340.00	0.0%
Grade 10 Assistant Director	Discretionary	217.00	217.00	0.0%
Grade 9	Discretionary	192.00	192.00	0.0%
Grade 8	Discretionary	181.00	181.00	0.0%
Grade 7	Discretionary	170.00	170.00	0.0%
Grade 6	Discretionary	142.00	142.00	0.0%
Grade 5	Discretionary	131.00	131.00	0.0%
Grade 4	Discretionary	118.00	118.00	0.0%
Grade 3	Discretionary	98.00	98.00	0.0%
Grade 2	Discretionary	90.00	90.00	0.0%
The full direct cost of any external consultants, contractors or agency staff incurred by the Planning Service in the delivery of the discretionary service will also be included in any fees charged for the work done. Agency hourly rates charged at agency rates plus £28/hour overhead.				

Notes

* Includes VAT

**These are existing fees plus 2.5% inflation. Awaiting legal agreement to confirm the new fees

Licensing

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2024/25 £	Proposed Charges 2025/26 £	% Increase 2025/26
Skin Piercing				
Skin Piercing – Premises	Discretionary	171.00	175.00	2.3%
Skin Piercing - Practitioners	Discretionary	62.00	63.50	2.4%
Sex Establishments				
Sexual Entertainment Venues (new & variation)	Discretionary	3,528.00	3,616.00	2.5%
Sexual Entertainment Venues (renewal)	Discretionary	1,044.00	1,070.00	2.5%
Sexual Entertainment Venues (transfer)	Discretionary	1,044.00	1,070.00	2.5%
Sex Shop / Sex Cinema (new & variation)	Discretionary	3,268.00	3,350.00	2.5%
Sex Shop / Sex Cinema (renewal)	Discretionary	1,044.00	1,070.00	2.5%
Sex Shop / Sex Cinema (transfer)	Discretionary	1,044.00	1,070.00	2.5%
Drivers				
Disclosure & Barring Service Check (DBS) *	Discretionary	38.00	49.50	30.3%
Knowledge Test	Discretionary	120.00	100.00	(16.7%)
New Licence Fee	Discretionary	300.00	310.00	3.3%
Annual Renewal Fee	Discretionary	150.00	200.00	33.3%
3 Yearly Renewal Fee	Discretionary	290.00	305.00	5.2%
Replacement Badges	Discretionary	26.00	28.00	7.7%
DVLA Data Check * (New service provider)	Discretionary	5.52	6.75	22.3%
DVLA Data Check * (New service provider) 3 year licence	Discretionary	16.52	20.25	22.6%
Change of Details	Discretionary	25.00	25.00	0.0%
Replacement Licence	Discretionary	25.00	28.00	12.0%
Knowledge Test Retest	Discretionary	80.00	80.00	0.0%
Vehicles				
Hackney Carriage Licence (new)	Discretionary	340.00	310.00	(8.8%)
Private Hire Licence (new)	Discretionary	300.00	260.00	(13.3%)
Hackney Carriage Ultra Low Emission Vehicle (new)	Discretionary	170.00	155.00	(8.8%)
Private Hire Ultra Low Emission Vehicle (new)	Discretionary	150.00	130.00	(13.3%)
Hackney Carriage Zero Emission Vehicle (new)	Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Private Hire Zero Emission Vehicle (new)	Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Hackney Carriage Licence Renewal	Discretionary	225.00	235.00	4.4%
Private Hire Licence Renewal	Discretionary	210.00	220.00	4.8%
Hackney Carriage Ultra Low Emission Vehicle (renewal)	Discretionary	112.50	117.50	4.4%
Private Hire Ultra Low Emission Vehicle (renewal)	Discretionary	105.00	110.00	4.8%
Hackney Carriage Zero Emission Vehicle (renewal)	Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Private Hire Zero Emission Vehicle (renewal)	Discretionary	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Plate Deposit	Discretionary	50.00	45.00	(10.0%)
Replacement Plate	Discretionary	45.00	50.00	11.1%
Change of Ownership	Discretionary	100.00	100.00	0.0%
Crest - self adhesive	Discretionary	15.00	18.00	20.0%
Crest - magnetic	Discretionary	20.00	20.00	0.0%
Replacement Licence	Discretionary	25.00	28.00	12.0%
Change of Details	Discretionary	25.00	25.00	0.0%
Non - Driver Proprietor	Discretionary	20.00	30.00	50.0%
Change of Vehicle registration PHV	Discretionary	50.00	50.00	0.0%
Change of Vehicle resgistration HCV	Discretionary	45.00	45.00	0.0%
Operators Licence				
Private Hire Operators Licence (New)	Discretionary	360.00	315.00	(12.5%)
Private Hire Operators Licence (Renewal - 1 Year)	Discretionary	290.00	300.00	3.4%
Private Hire Operators Licence (renewal - 5 Year)	Discretionary	1,095.00	1,165.00	6.4%
Replacement Licence	Discretionary	25.00	28.00	12.0%
Change of Details	Discretionary	25.00	25.00	0.0%
Training				
BIlAB Level 1 Award in Responsible Alcohol Retailing	Discretionary	103.00	105.50	2.4%
BIlAB Level 2 Award for Personal Licence Holders	Discretionary	127.00	130.00	2.4%
Licensing Act 2003 (**Statutory Set)				
Personal Licence	Statutory	37.00	37.00	0.0%
New Premises Licence (or full variation)	Statutory	Various	Various	0.0%
Annual Fee	Statutory	Various	Various	0.0%
Minor Variation	Statutory	89.00	89.00	0.0%
Temporary Event Notice	Statutory	21.00	21.00	0.0%
Change of Designated Premises Supervisor	Statutory	23.00	23.00	0.0%
Pavement Licensing				
Pavement Licence - New	Statutory	360.00	370.00	2.8%
Pavement Licence - Renewal	Statutory	150.00	155.00	
Gambling Act 2005 (**Statutory Set)				
Bingo Club (New)	Statutory	2,625.00	2,625.00	0.0%
Bingo Club (Annual Fee)	Statutory	900.00	900.00	0.0%
Small Society Lottery (New)	Statutory	40.00	40.00	0.0%
Small Society Lottery (Annual)	Statutory	20.00	20.00	0.0%
Betting Premises (New)	Statutory	2,250.00	2,250.00	0.0%
Betting Premises (Annual Fee)	Statutory	540.00	540.00	0.0%
Family Entertainment Centre (Annual Fee)	Statutory	500.00	500.00	0.0%
Adult Gaming Centre (New)	Statutory	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.0%
Adult Gaming Centre (Annual Fee)	Statutory	900.00	900.00	0.0%
Animal Licensing				
Zoo	Discretionary	680.00	700.00	2.9%
Dangerous Wild Animals (Plus Vet fees)	Discretionary	336.00	345.00	2.7%
Variation of a licence requiring a re-inspection (Plus Vet fees)	Discretionary	60.00	61.50	2.5%

Charge Type and description	Discretionary or Statutory	Charges 2024/25 £	Proposed Charges 2025/26 £	% Increase 2025/26
Exhibiting animals:				
Fees on application	Discretionary	89.00	91.00	2.2%
Initial rating or re-rating fee	Discretionary	152.00	155.50	2.3%
Maintenance fee (3 years)	Discretionary	440.00	451.00	2.5%
Variation of a licence requiring a re-inspection	Discretionary	152.00	156.00	2.6%
Copy of licence or change of details not requiring an inspection	Discretionary	13.00	13.50	3.8%
Selling animals as pets:				
Fees on application	Discretionary	89.00	91.00	2.2%
Initial rating or re-rating fee	Discretionary	251.00	257.00	2.4%
Maintenance fee: one year	Discretionary	146.00	150.00	2.7%
two years	Discretionary	293.00	300.00	2.4%
three years	Discretionary	440.00	451.00	2.5%
Variation of a licence requiring a re-inspection	Discretionary	251.00	257.00	2.4%
Copy of licence or change of details not requiring an inspection	Discretionary	13.00	13.50	3.8%
Riding Establishment:				
Fees on application	Discretionary	89.00	91.00	2.2%
Initial rating or re-rating fee (plus additional vets fee not included)	Discretionary	50.00	51.00	2.0%
Maintenance fee: one year	Discretionary	146.00	150.00	2.7%
two years	Discretionary	293.00	300.00	2.4%
three years	Discretionary	440.00	451.00	2.5%
Variation of a licence requiring a re-inspection (plus vets fee not included)	Discretionary	50.00	51.00	2.0%
Copy of licence or change of details not requiring an inspection	Discretionary	13.00	13.50	3.8%
Dog Breeding:				
Fees on application	Discretionary	89.00	91.00	2.2%
Initial rating or re-rating fee (plus additional vets fee not included)	Discretionary	50.00	51.00	2.0%
Maintenance fee: one year	Discretionary	146.00	150.00	2.7%
two years	Discretionary	293.00	300.00	2.4%
three years	Discretionary	440.00	451.00	2.5%
Variation of a licence requiring a re-inspection (plus vets fee not included)	Discretionary	50.00	51.00	2.0%
Copy of licence or change of details not requiring an inspection	Discretionary	13.00	13.50	3.8%
Animal Boarding:				
Fees on application: up to 10 animals	Discretionary	89.00	91.00	2.2%
Initial rating or re-rating fee	Discretionary	152.00	156.00	2.6%
Variation of a licence requiring a re-inspection	Discretionary	152.00	156.00	2.6%
Fees on application: 11- 30 animals	Discretionary	202.00	207.00	2.5%
Variation of a licence requiring a re-inspection	Discretionary	202.00	207.00	2.5%
Fees on application: 31-60 animals	Discretionary	251.00	257.00	2.4%
Variation of a licence requiring a re-inspection	Discretionary	251.00	257.00	2.4%
Fees on application: 61-99 animals	Discretionary	302.00	310.00	2.6%
Variation of a licence requiring a re-inspection	Discretionary	302.00	310.00	2.6%
Fees on application: 100 or more animals	Discretionary	352.00	360.00	2.3%
Variation of a licence requiring a re-inspection	Discretionary	352.00	360.00	2.3%
Maintenance fee: one year	Discretionary	146.00	150.00	2.7%
two years	Discretionary	293.00	300.00	2.4%
three years	Discretionary	440.00	451.00	2.5%
Copy of licence or change of details not requiring an inspection	Discretionary	13.00	13.50	3.8%
Scrap Metal Dealers				
Site Licence	Discretionary	527.00	540.00	2.5%
Conversion to collector's licence	Discretionary	64.00	65.50	2.3%
Change of licensee name	Discretionary	64.00	65.50	2.3%
Addition of site	Discretionary	527.00	540.00	2.5%
Removal of site	Discretionary	64.00	65.50	2.3%
Change of Site Manager	Discretionary	155.00	159.00	2.6%
Replacement of lost or damaged licence	Discretionary	58.00	59.50	2.6%
Collector's licence	Discretionary	226.00	232.00	2.7%
Conversion to site licence	Discretionary	456.00	467.00	2.4%
Change of name (e.g. status)	Discretionary	64.00	65.60	2.5%
Replacement of lost or damaged licence	Discretionary	58.00	59.50	2.6%
Street Trading				
12 month food licence pitch	Discretionary	2,886.00	2,958.15	2.5%
12 month retail licence pitch	Discretionary	2,727.00	2,795.18	2.5%
8 month food licence pitch	Discretionary	2,165.00	2,219.13	2.5%
8 month retail licence pitch	Discretionary	2,045.00	2,096.13	2.5%
4 month food licence pitch	Discretionary	722.00	740.05	2.5%
4 month retail licence pitch	Discretionary	682.00	699.05	2.5%
* These charges are shown net of VAT				
** Externally set fees and charges				
*** These 20-21 fees have been updated following consultation and differ from those included in the 2020 BSR				
Please note that all licensing fees not set by statute were approved at Licensing Committee on 20th January 2025				