

2014/15 Budget Fees & Charges - Exemptions to Income Policy

Service Area	Activity	Proposed Fee Level 2014/15 (incl VAT) £	Increase/ (Decrease) %	Explanation
Resources: Finance & HR Group	Sale of agendas & minutes: Copy Charges	2.00	0.00	Agendas and minutes available online now - no demand so keeping minimum charge.
	Legal Charges - Legal Advice Charges (per hour)	168.00	(28.51) - 31.06	Simplifying schedule of legal charges. For external charges, a single rate of £168/hour (incl VAT) is to be applied for all work to represent the cost of supervision, contingent liabilities etc.
	- Legal Service Charges - Property (per hour)	168.00	(1.71)	
Public Access	Sponsorship - roundabouts/flag poles	120 - 6,000	0.00	
	Bury Fields Common - Horse Riding Permit	36.00 - 72.00	0.00	Fixed fee set by service area in line with current market value
Adult Social Care & Health	Standard Rate Charges	Various	0.00	
	Community Alarm	Various	0.00	Agreed no increase in Social Care fixed rate charges for 2014-15
	Sheltered Housing	Various	0.00	
	Learning Disability Travel	2.83	2.00	Agreed to be increased by December CPI (Review of Social Care charging 2011)
	Public Health - Health Promotion Publications	Various	0.00	Current fees cover all costs
Housing & Community Group	Emergency Bed & Breakfast Accommodation for families/individuals	26.05	0.00	Any amount above £25 per night is above Housing Benefit grant threshold and results in comparable pressure on Revenue and Benefits budget.
	Homelessness - Homebond Payout Recharges	Variable	0.00	Contracted amount equivalent to 1 month's rent in each case.
	Houses of Multiple Occupancy (five year period)	300.00	(66.10)	The original HIMO licence fee was set in 2006 and was for a 5 year period ending on 31/12/11. The initial fee was considerably higher as it included all the set up fees of the scheme which are no longer relevant. The fee will be recalculated at the end of the 5 year period although an annual review will be carried out during this time to highlight any change in operating costs of the service.
	Immigration Inspections	110.00	0.00	2014/15 charges currently under review. Outcome expected by Q4 2013/14.

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Public Realm	Landscape & Countryside - Public Path Orders	1250.00	21.60	Fees increased to ensure costs are covered. Charges are still less than some neighbouring authorities
	Cemeteries	Various	0.00	Fee uptake is poor. Fees possibly too high compared to other local services.
	Burial Fees - Children	Various	0.00	Fees in relation to babies/children are to remain the same.
	Environmental Protection - Request for information	Various	6.67	Improved service. Extra information provided.
	Street Trading Consents	100.00	(60.32)	Change in policy to create borough wide consent street agreed by Licensing Committee Sept 18th 2013
	Taxi Licensing & Fees Hackney Carriage - Licences Hackney Carriages - Other Services Registrars	Various Various	0.00 0.00	Fees set by Licensing Committee have not been increased due to drivers already feeling hardship due to drop in demand from customers and competition from companies based out of MK.
	- Marriage ceremony fees	Various	(20.00) - 20.00	To begin to bring in line with other local authorities and to support increased costs.
Children & Families: Education, Effectiveness and Participation	Music Fees	Various	2.56% - 40.00%	Following restructure and need to be cost neutral
	- Music Centre/Ensembles - Tuition Packages	Various	(100.00)	Service no longer offered.
	Broadband - Schools	0.00	(100.00)	Service to be discontinued from 01/04/2014
	Community Language Service - Translation Services	Various	0.00	Lot of competition from other organisations and increasing fees at this time may jeopardise contracts.
	Woughton Leisure Centre Windmill Hill Golf Centre	Various	0.00-5.56	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - membership - Green fees 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Various Various 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10.00 10.00 - 33.33 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased due to affiliation to English Golf Association included into membership. Prices originally set low as an introductory offer to encourage take up.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Library Service - MK Resident - Hire Fees Spoken Word - Hire Fees Other - Hire Fees Compact Discs - Book drop to residential homes (per visit) - Fax Receiving - Reservations (Various) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.00 - 2.50 Various 1.80 4.00 0.75 Various 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0.00 0.00 12.50 33.33 47.62 6.67 - 50.00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No increase as issues are down and increase would have a detrimental effect. Increase above inflation as issues are down and fewer issues need to generate more income in order to sustain the service. New charge last year at a very minimal rate so felt the market will accept a small increase. Increase above inflation as we feel the market is comparable. Previous price too low. Increase to recover actual costs.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Library Service - Non MK Resident - Hire fees Spoken Word - Hire fees other - Fines - Book drop to residential homes (per visit) - Reservations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.65 - 2.75 1.65 - 6.60 0.06 - 0.65 4.40 Various 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10.00 9.09 - 25.00 18.18 - 20.00 46.67 0.00 - 100.00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asked to consider charging out of area users a rate 10% higher than the charge for MK residents.
Planning & Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning Inquiry Appointment Planning Obligation Fees - Monitoring Fee (per clause) Car Parking Charges - Residents Parking Permits (Duplicate permit charge - initial permit free of charge) Business Permit (Annual Cost) Business Permit Duplicate (Annual Cost) Green permit - Initial Green permit - duplicate / copy permit Market traders permit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 48.00 Various 5.00 360.00 5.00 75.00 5.00 18.75 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100.00 Various 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Charge The Planning fee under the new agreement is 1.6% on top of the monitoring fee to cover staff costs. The monitoring fee is a variable amount and can vary from agreement to agreement. Charges increased in 2013

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	Market traders permit - duplicate / copy permit	5.00	0.00	
	Commuters permit	74.00	0.00	
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	CMK Scratchcards - Full Time (5 days)	8.00	0.00	
	CMK Scratchcards - Part Time (5 days)	4.00	0.00	
	Hotel Scratchcards (5 days)	25.00	0.00	
	CMK Pay & Display - std rate tariff (per hour)	0.40	0.00	
	CMK Pay & Display - premium rate tariff (per hour)	1.40	0.00	
	CMK Long Stay & Railway Station (12 Hours fixed tariff)	8.00	0.00	
	CMK Pay & Display std rate (Annual)	360.00	0.00	
	Passenger Transport -			
	Junior Trippers (10 journeys)	5.00	11.11	
	Junior Cityriders (per week)	7.25	11.54	As per agreement between the Leader and the youth cabinet
	Junior Cityriders (per month)	25.00	11.11	
	Junior Concessionary Fare (single journey)	0.50	11.11	
	Community Transport (return)	3.90	30.00	
	Community Transport (single)	2.20	29.41	Delayed rise due to budget decision (S88) in 2013/14 budget papers.
Housing Revenue Account	Leaseholder/Shared Ownership Fees	Various	0.00	Agreed no increase in fees for 2014/15.
	Housing Rents	Various	3.50	Increases of CPI+1% in line with government guidelines.

2014/15 Budget Additional Concessions

Service Area	Activity	Proposed Fee Level 2014/15 (inc VAT) £	Discount %	Explanation
Children & Families: Education, Effectiveness and Participation	Windmill Hill Golf Centre	Various	10.00	Discount for player card holders. (Not on 2013/14 schedule)