

Supplementary Committee Agenda



**Epping Forest
District Council**

Cabinet Thursday, 1st December, 2016

Place: Council Chamber,
Civic Offices, High Street, Epping

Time: 7.00 pm

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22. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 requires that the permission of the Chairman be obtained, after prior notice to the Chief Executive, before urgent business not specified in the agenda (including a supplementary agenda of which the statutory period of notice has been given) may be transacted.

22.a ASSET MANAGEMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CABINET COMMITTEE - 27 OCTOBER 2016 (Pages 203 - 208)

(Asset Management & Economic Development Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached minutes from the meeting of the Asset Management & Economic Development Cabinet Committee, held on 27 October 2016, and any recommendations therein.

22.b FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT CABINET COMMITTEE - 10 NOVEMBER 2016 (Pages 209 - 240)

(Finance Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached minutes from the meeting of the Finance & Performance Management Cabinet Committee, held on 10 November 2016, and any recommendations therein.

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EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee: Asset Management and Economic Development Cabinet Committee **Date:** Thursday, 27 October 2016

Place: Council Chamber, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping **Time:** 7.00 - 7.33 pm

Members Present: Councillors A Grigg (Chairman), H Kane, G Mohindra and G Waller

Other Councillors:

Apologies: Councillor W Breare-Hall

Officers Present: K Pabani (Chief Estates Officer), M Warr (Economic Development Officer), J Leither (Democratic Services Officer) and G J Woodhall (Senior Democratic Services Officer)

Also in attendance: C Pasterfield (Asset Management Development Consultant) and A Charalambous (Consultant, White, Young and Green)

19. WEBCASTING INTRODUCTION

The Chairman reminded everyone present that the meeting would be broadcast live to the Internet and that the Council had adopted a protocol for the webcasting of its meetings.

20. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

The Cabinet Committee noted that there were no substitute members.

21. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest pursuant to the Council's Code of Member Conduct.

22. MINUTES

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 22 August 2016 be taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

23. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TEAM PROGRESS REPORT

The Economic Development Officer (EDO) presented a report to the Cabinet Committee and updated them on a number of projects and issues being explored by the Economic Development Team.

(1) Visitor Economy

A Visitor Accommodation Needs Assessment for the district took place in August 2016. This was the first phase in the study and comprised of:

- an audit of current visitor accommodation supply;
- a review of past and current proposals for visitor accommodation;
- a review of national trends in hotel and visitor accommodation development;
- initial consultation with Officers, Members and key stakeholders; and
- a review of approaches to tourist accommodation planning policies elsewhere.

Phase 2 of the study was being refined in the light of the Phase 1 findings and would commence in November 2016.

(2) Town Centres

The recent Town Team Meeting had been well attended and there was a positive attitude from the Town Partnerships. The Town and Village Centres Opportunities Fund had now been launched for 2016/17 and a number of interesting proposals have been submitted. An updated report would be presented to the next meeting.

(3) Business Support

Pop Up Business Café

The newly refurbished Epping Forest District Museum hosted our first Pop Up Business Café in July, which was co-ordinated by the Economic Development Team in partnership with BEST Growth Hub. There were six voluntary advisers from business based in the local area and over thirty local businesses attended to access informal advice on a wide range of subjects. The event was a great success and there have been enquiries since the event both from business that were there and business that would like to give advice at future events.

Low Carbon Across the South East (LoCASE)

LoCASE is a new project set up to help small to medium businesses. It aims to reduce business costs by cutting emissions and to promote the opportunities of the low carbon market. The Economic Development Team were working with LoCASE to promote the scheme and encourage more applicants to come forward.

Eastern Plateau Rural Development Programme

The continuation of the Eastern Plateau Programme funded by the European Commission and Defra is uncertain whether it will continue since Brexit. For now it would be business as usual with the Fund pending an announcement which could be made in the Autumn Statement. A further update will be presented at the next meeting.

(4) Broadband

In September 2016 a very successful Broadband Business Breakfast was held at Mulberry House in High Ongar. A number of local businesses from across the Epping Forest District attended as well as a number of key local stakeholders and industry representatives. Delegates heard presentations highlighting opportunities for business growth that were made possible by the building of the ultrafast and superfast broadband networks throughout the district.

The event was a great success, the event sponsors and participating speakers all spoke positively about the event and the opportunity to speak directly to businesses.

(5) Partner Liaison

The Economic Development team continued to liaise and support a number of Partner Organisations. These included:

- Essex County Council
- South East Local Enterprise Partnership (SE LEP)
- Invest Essex and Essex Innovation Programme
- Lea Valley Food Taskforce
- Essex Economic Development Officer group
- Essex Tourism Officer Group
- Epping Forest District Town Team
- Eastern Plateau Local Action Group
- Stansted Airport Local Authority Forum
- Tourism & Visitor Board
- West Essex Skills & Learning Forum
- Waltham Abbey Town Partnership
- One Epping Forest
- Superfast Essex

Councillor Mohindra requested that the LSCC be added to the Partner Liaison Organisation list as the Council were represented and attended their meetings.

RESOLVED:

To note the progress and work programme of the Council's Economic Development Section.

REASONS FOR DECISION:

To appraise the Committee on progress made with regard to Economic Development issues.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED:

None, as this monitoring report is for information not action.

24. ASSET MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION GROUP REPORT

The Chief Estates Officer presented a report to the Cabinet Committee and updated them on further developments to the report since it had been published.

(1) Epping Forest Shopping Park

There was a separate detailed report on the progress of the development at Agenda Item 8.

(2) Oakwood Hill Depot

There were no further updates at this time.

(3) Pyrles Lane

A development appraisal in accordance with planning approval had been prepared by the external consultants and would be submitted to the Cabinet at their meeting on the 1 December 2016. Members of the Cabinet would be asked to determine how the site would be subsequently marketed.

(4) St John's Road

The draft documentation was nearing completion and it was hoped a full report would be available at the next meeting.

(5) North Weald Airfield

Due to changes in procurement legislation, it would no longer be possible to seek to obtain an operational partner on a "concessionary contract" basis. A full OJEU process will need to be followed as per other major service contracts. Officer capacity was not available at this time to take the procurement forward but should commence early in the New Year. Short term opportunities to increase income for the Council are still being maintained.

The new market operator, Saunders Markets were trading well with many more stalls and trade had significantly increased. The Council were pleased with the growth of the market and the increased visitors attending.

Councillor Mohindra commented on the positive progress the new market operator had made in building up the market at North Weald by attracting more stall holders and visitors to the market.

Councillor Waller referred to the delay in the procurement for an Operational Partner at North Weald Airfield. He stated that local residents and tenants of the airfield were worried about the uncertainty of the airfield and it would be good to resolve the uncertainty and make a clear way forward.

Councillor Grigg advised that with the Council's other developments that were in hand there was not enough staff capacity to deal with the procurement and it was hoped that it would commence early in the New Year.

(6) Site of Former Public House – Winston Churchill

The developers of the site Higgins were on track to complete the development by July 2017. The Estates team would look to start marketing the the ground floor retail space early in 2017.

(7) Ongar Academy

The Council's landholding interest in this site had now been disposed of so there would be no further updates.

(8) Townmead Depot

There were no further updates at this time.

(9) Hillhouse Development

There were no further updates at this time.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Cabinet Committee noted the progress on the Council's Asset Management and Development Projects.

REASONS FOR DECISION:

To comply with the Cabinet Committee's previous request to monitor the development of the Council's property assets on a regular basis.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED:

None, as this is a monitoring report is for information.

25. EPPING FOREST SHOPPING PARK - PROGRESS REPORT

The Council's Asset Management Development Consultant Mr C Pasterfield, presented a report on the current progress with regard to the development of the Epping Forest Shopping Park. Mr Pasterfield was accompanied by Mr A Charalambous of White, Young and Green, the Council's appointed consultants for the management of the shopping park and the highway works related to the development of the shopping park, pursuant to Section 278 of the Highways Act 1980.

Mr Charalambous advised the Cabinet Committee that earlier that day there had been two site progress meetings, one for the shopping park that he had attended and one for the highways development that his colleague Mr T McLaughlin had attended.

Epping Forest Shopping Park

The date of possession of the shopping park was scheduled for the 26 September 2017 although the contract completion date would be 19 June 2017. There would be hand over phases for the shopping park the units would be handed over approximately 4-5 weeks before the 19 June to accommodate the time scales for the unit fit outs. Some tenants would need only 4-5 weeks whilst other more complex fit outs would need 12-13 weeks to complete. Currently a draft timetable was being prepared and it was envisaged that some units would be open for trading before others.

The Contractors had no major issues and were liaising with the tenants to capture their requirements and planning ahead. The demolition of buildings on the site, stabilisation and ground levelling was almost complete.

Highways Works

The programme of works would be reviewed and aligned to coincide with the completion of the shopping park. The main delay had been with Essex County Council not allowing a sufficient licence to work on the carriageway, this had now been resolved and work had commenced on the highways work. The main focus was concerning the verge areas and widening of the carriageway, there would be no disruption to the carriageway before Christmas.

Councillor Mohindra asked if the completion date was still on track for the shopping park to open in August 2017.

Mr C Pasterfield advised that the main completion contract date was 19 June 2017 but this was not the date the shopping park would open for trading. The tenants

would then have to fit our their units and will be driven by the tenants when they were ready to open. An official opening would be towards the Christmas 2017 period when 80-90% of the shopping park was open.

Councillor Waller asked where the report was, as referenced on page 22 of the agenda, item 8, a report to be considered in Part II due to the commercial sensitivity of some of its content.

The Chairman advised that a report had not been provided as there were no sufficient changes in the tenant situation. When the main report was undertaken it was thought, at that time, a Part II report would be required but there had been no changes since the last meeting.

RESOLVED:

That the current progress report on the development of the new Epping Forest Shopping Park be noted.

REASONS FOR DECISION:

To comply with the previous request of the Cabinet Committee to monitor the development of the Council's property assets and in particular that it receive regular detailed reports on progress with regard to the development of the Epping Forest Shopping Park.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED:

None, as the progress report was submitted at the specific request of the Cabinet Committee.

26. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Cabinet Committee noted that there was no other urgent business for consideration.

27. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Cabinet Committee noted that there were no items of business on the agenda that necessitated the exclusion of the public and press from the meeting.

CHAIRMAN

EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee: Finance and Performance Management Cabinet Committee **Date:** Thursday, 10 November 2016

Place: Committee Room 1, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping **Time:** 7.00 - 8.10 pm

Members Present: Councillors S Stavrou (Chairman), A Lion, R Bassett, W Breare-Hall and H Kane

Apologies: Councillors G Mohindra and C Whitbread

Officers Present: R Palmer (Director of Resources), P Maddock (Assistant Director (Accountancy)), D Bailey (Head of Transformation) and R Perrin (Democratic Services Officer)

24. Apologies for Absence

It was advised that Councillors W Breare-Hall and H Kane were substituting for Councillors C Whitbread and G Mohindra respectively.

Councillor Stavrou chaired the meeting on behalf of the Finance Portfolio Holder.

25. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest pursuant to the Council's Code of Member Conduct.

26. Minutes

Resolved:

(1) That the minutes of the meeting held on 15 September 2016 be taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

27. Key Performance Indicators - 2016/17 Quarter 2 Performance

The Director of Resources presented a report on the Quarter 2, Key Performance Indicators 2016/17.

The Director of Resources reported that the Council was required to make arrangements to secure continuous improvement in the way in which its functions and services were exercised, whilst having regard to a combination of economy, efficiency and effectiveness. As part of the duty to secure continuous improvement, a range of Key Performance Indicators (KPI) relevant to the Council's service priorities and key objectives were adopted each year and performance against all of the KPIs were reviewed on a quarterly basis.

A set of thirty-seven KPIs had been adopted for 2016/17 in March 2016, which had been increased by one with regards to the waste recycled and waste composted KPI being split into two separate indicators to better monitor the performance.

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The KPIs were important to the improvement of the Council's services and comprise a combination of former statutory indicators and locally determined performance measures. The aim of the KPIs were to direct improvement effort towards services and the national priorities and local challenges arising from the social, economic and environmental context of the district.

Progress in respect to all of the KPIs was reviewed by Management Board and Overview and Scrutiny at the conclusion of each quarter, along with service directors reviewing the KPI performance with the relevant portfolio holder(s) on an on-going basis throughout the year. Furthermore, the four Select Committees were each responsible for the review of quarterly performance against specific KPIs within their areas of responsibility as well.

The position with regard to the achievement of target performance for the KPIs at the end of quarter 2 (30 September 2016), was as follows:

- (a) 28 (76%) indicators had achieved target;
- (b) 9 (24%) indicators had not achieve target, although 2 (22%) of these indicators had performed within the agreed tolerance for the indicator; and
- (c) 31 (84%) of indicators were currently anticipated to achieve year-end target with a further 4 (11%) that were uncertain whether they would achieve year-end target.

The Director of Resources advised that he was confident the 3 KPIs within Resources that were amber and red would achieve their year-end target. The Committee was asked to note the second quarter in relation to the KPIs for 2016/17.

Councillor W Breare-Hall advised that there had been a real effort within the Neighbourhoods Directorate to improve and achieve the targets. He advised that KPI - NEI001 (Non-recycled waste) and KPI- NEI013 (Waste recycled) were not likely to achieve their year-end target and these KPI were being revised to better reflect the results.

Councillor A Lion stated that it appeared fly tipping within the District had recently increased and that it could be possible the closure of DYI and construction waste to residents at the Recycle Centres within the District was already having an impact. Councillor W Breare-Hall advised that Essex County Council's decision was being monitored by both the Council and themselves with the decision being reviewed in 3 months time.

Resolved:

- (1) That the Quarter 2 Performance for Key Performance Indicators adopted for 2016/17 be noted; and
- (2) That there were no Key Performance Indicators for 2016/17 identified that required in-depth scrutiny or further reporting on performance.

Reasons for Decision:

The KPIs provide an opportunity for the Council to focus attention on how specific areas for improvement would be addressed, and how opportunities would be exploited and better outcomes delivered. It was important that relevant performance management processes were in place to review and monitor performance against the key objectives, to ensure their continued achievability and relevance, and to identify

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proposals for appropriate corrective action in areas of slippage or under performance.

Other Options Considered and Rejected:

No other options were appropriate in this respect. Failure to review and monitor performance could mean that opportunities for improvement were lost and might have negative implications for judgements made about the progress of the Council.

28. Annual Audit Letter

The Director of Resources presented a report on the External Auditor's Annual Audit Letter, which would be presented to the Audit & Governance Committee on 28 November 2016. The report had been placed on the agenda to ensure that Members were aware of the key issues raised.

The Director of Resources advised that the Annual Audit Letter (AAL) confirmed that the Financial Statements gave a true and fair view of the Council's financial affairs. It also confirmed that the Annual Governance Statement contained in the Financial Statements was not misleading or inconsistent with other information. The external auditors were able to satisfy themselves that the Council had proper arrangements in place to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources and this enabled them to issue an unqualified value for money conclusion. The AAL confirmed that the auditors had not needed to exercise their statutory powers and that they had no matters to report. The audit certificate to close the audit for the year ended 31 March 2016 was issued on 30 September 2016.

Resolved:

- (1) That the External Auditor's Annual Audit Letter be noted.

Reasons for Decisions:

To ensure that Members were informed of any significant issues arising from the annual audit.

Other Considered and Rejected:

The report was for noting, no specific actions were proposed.

29. Quarterly Financial Monitoring

The Assistant Director (Accountancy) presented the Quarterly Financial monitoring report for the period 1 April to September 2016, which provided a comparison between the original and profiled budgets for the period ending 30 September 2016 and the actual expenditure or income. The report provided details of the revenue budgets for both the Continuing Services Budget and the District Development Fund and the capital budgets including details of major capital schemes. The reports were presented based on the directorate that was responsible for delivering the services to which the budgets related and the budgets themselves were the Original Estimate. The Assistant Director (Accountancy) advised that investment interest was lower than the budget due to lower interest rates but this wasn't entirely unexpected.

The Cabinet Committee noted that the salaries budget showed an underspend of £338,000 or 3%. Resources showed the largest underspend of £121,000, which related to Revenues and Housing Benefits, Neighbourhoods showed an underspend

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of £117,000 relating mainly to Forward Planning and Grounds Maintenance and Communities showed an underspend of £83,000 which related to the Housing Works Unit. Variances on Governance and the Office of the Chief Executive were less significant.

Within the Governance Directorate the Development Control income was £151,000 higher than the budget to date and pre-application charges were £15,000 higher. Building Control income was £56,000 higher than the budgeted figure and the ring-fenced account was expected to show an improved position. Furthermore there was a lot of scanning work required for Building Control files and it was proposed to use some of the accumulated surplus to finance this work over the next few years. Local Land Charge income was £3,000 below expectations and there had been fewer searches undertaken in recent months, so the position would need to be monitored.

Within the Neighbourhoods Directorate Public Hire licence income and other licensing was above expectations, although the Public Hire figures included £25,000 which related to future years, so in reality income relating to 2016/17 was £4,000 down. Income from MOT's carried out by Fleet Operations was £27,000 below expectations, although the account itself was budgeted to be deficit by £4,000, due to salary savings. Car Parking income was £3,000 above the estimate, although there were still some delays being experienced with income receipts. The actual for Recycling income was low when compared to the expectations; however the outstanding income for waste service enhancement and recycling credit income were all received in the first half of October. An overspend was showing on Recycling expenditure, due in part to collections from additional properties and payments made to the contractor to compensate for the fall in income from the sale of recyclable materials, which was being reported to Cabinet in December.

Within the Communities Expenditure the Bed and Breakfast placements were on the increase and a growth of £36,000 had been allowed for within the 2016/17 budget with a further increase of £58,000 estimated to be needed. The Housing Repairs Fund showed an underspend of £420,000. There were underspends showing on both Planned Maintenance, Voids work and a variance on HRA Special Services which related partly to grounds maintenance and sheltered units.

The Assistant Director (Accountancy) advised that for 2016/17 the funding retained by the authority after allowing for the Collection Fund deficit from 2015/16 was £3,435,000. This exceeded the government baseline of £3,050,000 by some £385,000 and the actual position for 2016/17 would not be determined until May 2017. The cash collection at the end of September totalled £18,978,332 and payments out were £17,273,492, which meant that the Council was holding £1,704,840 of cash and so the Council's overall cash position was benefitting from the effective collection of non-domestic rates.

There were three projects included on the Major Capital Schemes schedule which related to the House Building packages 1 and 2 and The Epping Forest Shopping Park.

Councillor W Breare-Hall advised that the Fleet Operations had a fully booked schedule of jobs and there were plans to promote the services at the Oakwood Hill site, which would hopefully improve the situation.

Councillor A Lion asked whether a maintenance budget had been included for CCTV systems and how this would be funded. P Maddock advised that they would discuss this with the relevant officers shortly.

Resolved:

(1) That the Quarterly Finance Monitoring Report for the period 1 April to 30 September 2016 be noted.

Reasons for Decision:

To note the second quarter financial monitoring report for 2016/17.

Other Options considered and Rejected:

No other options available.

30. Invest to Save Update

The Director of Resources presented an update on the various schemes funded through Invest to Save.

In setting the budget for 2015/16 the Council had decided that as the balance on the General Fund Reserve exceeded the minimum requirement and further savings were required, £0.5 million would be transferred from the General Fund Reserve into an Invest to Save earmarked reserve. This was subsequently topped up with an additional £154,000 during the current year and it was intended that this earmarked reserve would be used to finance schemes that would reduce the Continuing Services Budget (CSB) in future years. There was still £219,000 available in the fund, with a proposal to use £40,000 to create three new car parks that were approved by Cabinet on 3 November 2016.

The Director of Resources advised that following a presentation by Pricewaterhouse Coopers (PwC) to the joint Cabinet/Management Board meeting regarding their initial work on the Accommodation Review, it had been agreed to seek a price and timescale for an additional option. The additional fee had been advised as £18,500 (excluding VAT but inclusive of expenses/disbursements) and would undertake the following additional activities;

- (a) To determine the capacity of the Civic Building to accommodate civic/customer facing functions and staff;
- (b) To consider the extension potential of the Civic Building and any additional capacity this might create, giving regard to the structural survey that had been commissioned by the Council separately;
- (c) To determine the capacity of the proposed new Housing Hub at North Weald to accommodate residual staff numbers;
- (d) To determine the agile working ratios at the Civic Building and Housing Hub required to accommodate future staff numbers within the overall footprint;
- (e) To produce a high level development massing for the areas of the Civic Offices site surplus to Council office requirements, setting out the optimum development mix/unit numbers;
- (f) To prepare a high level development appraisal for the Civic Offices identifying both the potential rental income and residual land value for the proposed development to input into the financial appraisal;
- (g) To financially appraise the new option in line with the options considered to date; and
- (h) To revise and update the draft PwC and Bisset Adams reports to reflect the additional option and revised conclusions.

The development appraisal of Option 4 would have regard to the recent planning and

ecological advice provided by the Council and the other options would not be re-visited on the basis of the latest advice.

The Director of Resources advised that the Portfolio Holders for Asset and Economic Development and Safer, Greener, Transport had confirmed their support for the proposal by email and he asked other Members to comment.

Councillor W Breare-Hall enquired whether any of the additional work could be undertaken by officers and what type of discussions had taken place with PwC. The Director of Resources advised that there was not the officer capacity and that the fees were always negotiated.

Resolved:

(1) That the updates on the various schemes funded through Invest to Save be noted; and

(2) That the additional fee of £18,500 from the Invest to Save fund for a fourth option on the Accommodation Review be pursued.

Reasons for Decisions:

To comply with a request from this Committee.

Other Options Considered and Rejected:

Members could ask for additional information on individual schemes or suggest additional or alternative uses for the Invest to Save Fund.

31. Fees and Charges 2017/18

The Assistant Director (Accountancy) presented a report on the fees and charges to be levied by the Council in 2017/18 and what, if any scope there was to increase particular charges.

The Assistant Director (Accountancy) advised that the Medium Term Financial Strategy identified the need to find savings of £500,000 over the four year period with £250,000 falling in 2017/18. The Revenue Support funding which had been included in the strategy was subject to the DCLG accepting the Council's request for a multi-year settlement and the Council's application had been submitted before the deadline of 14 October but no response had yet been received. The scope for increased income as a result of increasing fees and charges was relatively limited for the General Fund and less so with the Housing Revenue Account (HRA). The labour rate inflation latest figure was 2.1% and the figure of 2.0% had been proposed.

Within the Communities Directorate the Limes Centre had proposed a 5% increase to bring it inline with other similar facilities. Furthermore, a proposed review of the charging structure would commence in October 2017 because of the issues to do with people from outside the district booking the facilities under the name of EFDC tenants and taking advantage of the 50% tenant discount on hall hire fees. The Council's Museum, Heritage and Culture (MHC) service would be implementing a 2% increase across all events and activities in 2017/18, including after school and holiday classes, Education Outreach work, Evening and Daytime Talks and general hire of facilities. The Schedule of proposed Housing-Related Fees and Charges for 2017/18, generally recommended that the majority of fees and charges be increased by 2% - rounded up or down as appropriate. The only exceptions to this approach

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were; Sheltered Housing Charges and Area Housing Charges Telecare packages (alarms and up to 4 sensors) and monitoring of alarms for other organisations which Essex County Council provided the support funding for with an inflationary increase; Bed and Breakfast Accommodation which had been fixed for a three-year period; Requirement for smoke and carbon monoxide alarms in private rented properties incorporating the Council's duty to enforce; Inspection of properties for immigration applications, which would be based on officer time; Charges for Housing Act 2004 - Enforcement Notice Fees; and Sewerage charges for individual sewerage systems.

Within the Governance Directorate the Legal Services proposed to increase the fees by 2% with the exception of shop and industrial leases which had been proposed to increase both to £750.00. The Land Charges would require a cost analysis for the new CON 29 search enquiry form and would be undertaken before the 2017/18 charges were set. There were no planned increases for Development Control, although the 'other cases' fee had been increased to £80.00 and £120.00 for Listed buildings on pre-application fees, because of the introduction of pre-application fees from County Council and the Environment Agency and Building Control Fees were proposed to be rounded to the nearest £1 due to the complicated fee structure.

Within the Neighbourhoods Directorate the fees and charges included Car Parking Charges, North Weald Airfield rents and charges, MOT's, various environmental health related charges and Licencing. The MOT income was subject to a maximum charge set by the Vehicle Operating Service Agency (VOSA) currently £54.85 and the Council's fee were set below this level at £49.00. The Public Hire licences were issued for three years and operators for five years and an increase had not been proposed, as they were in line with the Local Government (miscellaneous provisions) Act 1976 which were based on cost recovery. With regard to other forms of licensing, some fell under the 2003 Licensing Act, which prescribed the level of fee that could be levied. Others could be varied subject to a maximum level or cost recovery basis and were generally below the prescribed level; therefore it was felt that these should be increased where appropriate. Fees relating to the Gambling Act 2005 were now set locally and were proposed to increase by 2%. The general uplift for fees and charges related to the Leisure Centres was specified as being in line with the retail prices index within the leisure contract. Lastly, even though the Council does not provide a trade waste service, the trade waste collection from Biffa currently charged at £14.30 per collection was proposed to be increased to £14.70 and similarly the fee charged to schools etc. to be increased from £9.20 to £9.50.

The Assistant Director (Accountancy) advised that the report sought Members views on the level of fees and charges for 2017/18.

Recommended:

- (1) That the use of Labour inflation rate of 2.0% as a guide for any proposed increases of the Council's fees and charges for 2017/18 be agreed;
- (2) That the proposed fees and charges for 2017/18, as set out in the appendices attached to the report, be approved; and
- (3) That the proposed schedule of Housing Revenue Account fees and charges for 2017/18 be approved; and
- (4) That a full review of fees and charges at the Limes Centre be carried out and the results and any recommendations be included in the fees and charges update for 2018/19.

Reasons for Decision

As part of the annual budget process changes to fees and charges need to be agreed.

Other Considered and Rejected:

Where the Council has discretion on the level of fees and charges that it sets there were many possible options open to the Council ranging between no increases, up to applying quite large increases where justifiable.

32. Mid-Year Report on Treasury Management and Prudential Indicators 2016/17

The Director of Resources presented a report on the mid-year Treasury Management and Prudential Indicators 2016/17.

The Director of Resources advised that the mid-year treasury report was a requirement of the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management and that it covered the treasury activity for the first half of the financial year in 2016/17. The Council had continued to finance all capital expenditure from within internal resources and the average net investment position had been approximately £61.9 million with no breaches on any of the prudential indicators.

Actual capital expenditure in the first six months of 2016/17 was £9.229 million, compared to the full year estimate of £47.597 million. The original Capital Programme for the three years to 2018/19 totalled £102 million and was partly funded by £12.6 million borrowing. It had been predicted that at the end of 2018/19 there would still be £2.99 million available in Capital Receipts and nothing in the Major Repairs Reserve.

The Director of Resources confirmed that there had been no breaches of the Authorised Limit (£240 million), the Operational Boundary (£230 million) and the Maturity Structure of Fixed Rate Borrowing during the period to 30 September 2016. It was anticipated that all borrowing would be repaid on maturity and that the capital programme could no longer be financed through internal resources and so the Council intended to borrow later in 2016-17 or 2017-18 in order to finance the approved capital projects e.g. Langston Road Retail Development.

The treasury position as of 30 September 2016 was that the short term investments of £33 million were in fixed rates, £19.9 million were in variable rates and there were no long term investments.

The Council had received no further dividends from the administrators of the Heritable Bank and the total figure remained at 98% of the value of deposits. A recent letter from the administrators stated that they were seeking to extend the administration for another year to 6 October 2017. This was necessary as the claim on the administration from one of the development sites was still to be settled.

Resolved:

(1) That the management of the risks associated with the Council's Treasury Management for the first half of 2016/17 be noted.

Reasons for Decision:

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The report was presented for noting as scrutiny was provided by the Audit and Governance Committee who make recommendations to this Committee when necessary.

Other Considered and Rejected:

Members could ask for additional information about the CIPFA Codes or the Prudential Indicators.

33. Any Other Business

Resolved:

(1) That, in accordance with Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, together with paragraphs (6) and (24) of the Council Procedure Rules, the Chairman had permitted the following item of urgent business to be considered following the publication of the agenda:

- (a) Draft General Fund CSB, DDF and ITS lists and Savings Update; and
- (b) Triennial Valuation of Pension Scheme.

34. Draft General Fund CSB, DDF and ITS lists and Savings Update

The Director of Resources presented a report on draft of the Continuing Services Budget (CSB), District Development Fund (DDF) and Invest to Save (ITS) Schedules for 2017/18.

The Director of Resources stated that the Financial Issues Paper had been considered by the Cabinet Committee on 14 July 2016 and it had highlighted a number of financial uncertainties and risks facing the Authority, which included the reductions in Central Government funding, Retention of Business Rates, Welfare Reform and the Leisure Management Contract Renewal.

The Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS), which formed part of the Financial Issues Paper identified savings of around £500,000, which were required over the forecast period. The savings required in 2017/18 were identified at £250,000 after savings of £464,000 and had already been identified and taken into account. It was noted though that there was more uncertainty than usual and little has changed since then.

Since July the Council had accepted the Governments 4 year funding agreement, a more detailed consultation was outstanding regarding Business Rates Retention and the Leisure Management Contract process was progressing. The lists currently showed net CSB savings of £730,000 in 2017/18, which assumed a saving of £250,000 from the new leisure management contract and were somewhat prudent as the final savings were expected to be rather higher. However the Local Plan and the Waste Management Contract were expected to require additional resources from a mixture of DDF and CSB. The total CSB expenditure in 2015/16 was £2.9 million higher than the Original budget, but this was entirely down to the decision to fund Capital Expenditure of £3 million from the General Fund balance because of the significant General Fund balance held by the Council and the comments made by Central Government around 'excessive' balances held by local authorities.

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The figures generally need to be viewed in the context of this being quite early in the budget preparation process and would be revisited over the next two months or so as the budget came together.

The Director of Resources advised that following the discussion for the fourth option on the Accommodation Review discussed under item 7 - Invest to Save Update of the agenda, the Invest to Save schedule would require updating.

Resolved:

- (1) That the draft of the Continuing Services Budget (CSB), District Development Fund (DDF) and Invest to Save (ITS) schedules for 2017/18 be noted;
- (2) That the savings achieved to date as part of the 2017/18 budget process be noted; and
- (3) That £18,500 from the Invest to Save scheme be allocated for a fourth option for the Accommodation Review.

Reasons for Decision:

Members were asked to note the first draft of these schedules and make comments as appropriate.

Other Options Considered and Rejected:

No other options applicable.

35. Triennial Valuation of Pension Scheme

The Director of Resources presented a report on the different options for paying the Council's pension contributions for the next three years to Essex County Council. The ongoing contributions were the same under each scenario but the deficit contributions varied. The option of 19 years was recommended as the reduction in CSB growth was felt to offer good value relative to the small extension in timescale for repaying the deficit. It was also noted that this deficit recovery period was still ahead of the schedule set at the previous valuation.

The Director of Resources advised that the payment options allowed for the deficit payment for the whole period to be paid at the start of the period, at the start of each year or on a monthly basis. Option B was recommended as it allowed for the increase in deficit payments to be phased over the three years and took advantage of the discount allowed for earlier payment without compromising the Council's cashflow position. The ongoing payments had also increased and the contribution rate was expressed as a percentage of pensionable pay and was increasing from 15.9% to 18% (£322,434).

Recommended:

1. That the option to fund the deficit over 19 years be recommended to Cabinet; and
2. That Option B as set out in the Essex County Council consultation be recommended to Cabinet.

Reasons for Decision:

Essex County Council has set a deadline of mid-January for responses to their consultation and so it was necessary to evaluate and decide on one of the options.

Other Options Considered and Rejected:

The shorter deficit recovery period could be adopted or Members could choose to either take full advantage of the front loaded payment option or not to front load at all.

Shortening the recovery period would increase CSB growth at a time when there were already budget pressures. Fully front loading the payments could create difficulties in the management of the Council's cashflows and would limit the ability to fund other demands at short notice without additional borrowing.

CHAIRMAN

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Main Hall	Charges per hour	
	Scale 1 (Council Tenants)	Scale 2 (Non-Council Tenants)
Monday to Friday		
9.00am – 6.00pm	£12.00	£24.00
6.00pm – 10.00pm	£17.00	£34.00
Saturday		
10.00am – 6.00pm	£17.00	£34.00
6.00pm – 11.00pm	£27.00	£47.00
10.00am – 11.00pm	£250.00	£450.00
Sunday		
10.00am – 9.00pm	£27.00	£47.00

Activity Room	Charges per hour	
	Scale 1	Scale 2
Monday to Friday		
9.00am – 6.00pm	£8.00	£18.00
6.00pm – 10.00pm	£13.00	£23.00
Saturday & Sunday (9pm only)		
10.00am – 6.00pm	£13.00	£18.00
6.00pm – 11.00pm	£18.00	£28.00

Meeting Room	Charges per hour	
	Scale 1	Scale 2
Monday to Friday		
9.00am – 6.00pm	£5.00	£10.00
6.00pm – 10.00pm	£11.00	£22.00
Saturday & Sunday (9pm only)		
10.00am – 6.00pm	£10.00	£20.00
6.00pm – 11.00pm	£15.00	£25.00

The Limes Centre – Proposed Scale of Hire Charges from 1st April 2017 Appendix 1

Main Hall	Charges per hour	
	Scale 1 (Council Tenants)	Scale 2 (Non Council Tenants)
Monday to Friday		
9.00am – 6.00pm	£12.50	£25.00
6.00pm – 10.00pm	£17.50	£35.00
Saturday		
10.00am – 6.00pm	£17.50	£35.00
6.00pm – 11.00pm	£28.00	£48.00
10.00am – 11.00pm	£260.00	£460.00
Sunday		
10.00am – 9.00pm	£28.00	£48.00

Activity Room	Charges per hour	
	Scale 1	Scale 2
Monday to Friday		
9.00am – 6.00pm	£8.50	£18.50
6.00pm – 10.00pm	£13.50	£23.50
Saturday & Sunday (9pm only)		
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10.00am – 6.00pm	£10.50	£20.50
6.00pm – 11.00pm	£15.50	£25.50

Community, Health & Wellbeing Activities – 2017-18

Service/Activity	2016/17 Fees	Proposed 2017/18 Fees	Comments
New Horizons			
Yoga session	£5.50	£5.60	
Indoor Bowls (Epping & Waltham Abbey)	£3.60	£3.70	
David Lloyd Bowls	£4.00	£4.50	
Badminton	£3.60	£3.70	
Boccia	£3.60	£3.70	
Table Tennis	£3.60	£3.70	
Lifewalks	£2.00 per walk £29.00 privilege card for 6 months £56.50 privilege card for 12 months	£2.00* £30.00 £58	*Easy money for leaders to collect, gets complicated when dealing in pence plus feel this is a premium we can charge for a walk, most walkers purchase a privilege card
Cycling for Health	£3.50	£4.00	

	£7.00	£8.00	
Term time Sessions:			
Badminton	£4.75	£4.85	
Futsal	£3.00	£3.50	
Holiday Provision			
Sport Sessions	£4.50	£5.00	
Get Active Sessions	£3.00	£3.50	
Multi-Sport/Activity Camps	£15.00	£16.00	
Play in the Forest	£2.50	£3.00	

Fees and Charges 2017/18 - HOUSING RELATED SERVICES

Service	2017/18		2016/17	
	Amount	Period	Amount	Period
Older People's Housing				
Communal Halls:				
Pelly Court Hall, Epping	£10.10	per hour	£9.90	per hour
Oakwood Hill Hall, Loughton	£141.60	per annum	£138.80	per annum
Barrington Hall, Loughton	£8.25	per session	£8.10	per session
Guest Rooms - Sheltered Housing	£9.35	per person per night	£9.15	per person per night
Scooter Stores:				
Rental	£4.00	per week	£3.90	per week
Electricity	£2.05	per week	£2.00	per week
Sheltered Housing Charges:				
Scheme Management Charge:				
<i>Tenants not in receipt of housing benefit</i>			£8.61	per week
<i>Tenants in receipt of housing benefit</i>			£1.57	per week
Intensive Housing Management Charge			£1.52	per week
(Note: Charge not payable by HB claimants)				
Area Housing Charges:				
Scheme Management Charge:				
<i>Tenants not in receipt of housing benefit</i>		To be set in accordance	£2.16	per week
<i>Tenants in receipt of housing benefit</i>		with the agreed policy	£0.39	per week
Intensive Housing Management Charge		on annual increases -	£0.38	per week
(Note: Charge not payable by HB claimants)		once the Housing Related		
		Support funding from		
		ECC is known		
Careline Charges (Council tenants):				
Tenants not in receipt of housing benefit			£3.60	per week
Tenants in receipt of housing benefit			£0.55	per week
Telecare Packages (Private users):				
Alarm and up to 4 sensors (Monitoring only)			£112.00	per annum
Monitoring of additional sensors (per sensor)			£11.30	per annum
Monitoring of alarms for other organisations (per speech module)			£108.75	per annum
Careline Service to Home Group for Wickfields sheltered housing scheme, Chigwell	£251.30	p/a per speech module	£246.35	p/a per speech module
Large Button Telephone	£22.00	per telephone	£21.60	per telephone
Use of Jessopp Ct Lounge by Essex CC as a Day Centre	£10,240	per annum (wef 12.7.17)	£10,039	per annum (wef 12.7.16)
Lease for Jessopp Ct Office to Family Mosaic		Increased each October by the Sept RPI increase		
Home Ownership and Sales				
Leasehold Vendors' Enquiries	£148.60	per enquiry	£145.70	per enquiry
Certificates of Buildings Insurance - Leaseholders	£47.30	per copy	£46.35	per copy
Small Land Sales Valuation Charge	£379.00	per sale	£371.60	per sale
Valuation & Legal Charge - Re-sale of RTB Property within 5 years / Sale of property to EFDC within 10 years	£382.70	per application	£375.20	per application
Consideration of Right to Re-purchase Former RTB Property within 10 years of Original Purchase	£66.60	per application	£65.30	per application
Housing Management				
Hire of Halls for Elections	£92.40	per day	£90.60	per day
Garage rents	£8.50	per week	£8.35	per week
Hardstandings	£88.00	per annum	£86.25	per annum
Mortgage references	£43.35	per enquiry	£42.50	per enquiry
Request for covenant and leasehold approvals	£69.20	per request	£67.80	per request

Licences for vehicular access across housing land	£115.00	per annum	£112.80	per annum
Dishonoured cheques	£26.85	per cheque	£26.30	per cheque
Homelessness				
Homeless Hostel Accommodation:				
One Room	£48.80	per week	£47.85	per week
Two Rooms	£76.25	per week	£74.75	per week
Three Rooms	£102.65	per week	£100.65	per week
Chalets	£88.90	per week	£87.15	per week
Bed and Breakfast Accommodation (Contracted rates):				
Single Room	£42.10	per night	£42.10	per night
Double Room	£50.05	per night	£50.05	per night
Repairs and Maintenance				
Condition surveys to respond to Party Wall Act Notices	£78.25	per Notice	£76.70	per Notice
Copies of Structural Reports on RTB Properties	£38.70	per report	£37.90	per report
Rechargeable repairs	2.0%	increase in all charges	Recharged in accordance with the Rechargeable Repairs Schedule	
Replacement Door Entry and Suited Keys	£14.60	per key	£14.30	per key
Sewerage charges for individual sewerage systems	2.0%	increase in all charges	Set charges for each site	
Caring and Repairing in Epping Forest (CARE) Service				
Caring And Repairing in Epping Forest (CARE) Fees:				
Disabled facilities grants and Decent Homes loans	15%	of works cost	15%	of works cost
Small Works Repayable Assistance	10%	of works cost	10%	of works cost
C.A.R.E Handyperson Service:				
<i>Clients in receipt of means-tested benefits:</i>				
General jobs	£32.50	Maximum charge per visit	£31.90	Maximum charge per visit
Falls prevention and home safety checks/works	Free		Free	
Garden maintenance - First visit	Free	per visit (up to 2 hours)	Free	per visit (up to 2 hours)
- Second visit	Free	per visit (up to 2 hours)	£26.20	per visit (up to 2 hours)
<i>Clients <u>not</u> in receipt of means-tested benefits:</i>				
General jobs	£53.50	Maximum charge per visit	£52.45	Maximum charge per visit
Falls prevention and home safety checks/works	£26.70	Maximum charge per visit	£26.20	Maximum charge per visit
Garden maintenance	£26.70	per visit (up to 2 hours)	£26.20	per visit (up to 2 hours)
Private Sector Housing				
Licences - HMOs (Initial & Renewal):				
3 storey HMO with up to 5 units of accommodation	£715.00	per licence	£700.00	per licence
Additional units of accommodation	£66.60	per additional unit	£65.30	per additional unit
Landlord Accreditation Scheme for Student Accommodation:				
Bed-sit	£52.40	per property accredited	£51.40	per property accredited
1-2 bedroom flats	£104.90	per property accredited	£102.80	per property accredited
House/bungalow with up to 6 bedrooms	£157.30	per property accredited	£154.20	per property accredited
3 storey houses (non-licensable)	£183.50	per property accredited	£179.90	per property accredited
Park Homes Licensing Fees:				
Site licence fees	In accordance with EFDC's Fees Policy for Licensing Residential Park Home Sites			
Depositing of site rules	£139.40	per deposit	£136.70	per deposit
Penalty charges for private landlords not providing appropriate smoke and carbon monoxide alarms (Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarm (England) Regulations 2015)	£5,000	per incidence (unless extenuating circs.)		New charge for 2017/18
Fine for Lettings Agencies and Property Agencies failing to join a Government-approved Redress Scheme	£5,000	per incidence (unless extenuating circs.)	£5,000	per incidence (unless extenuating circs.)

Property inspections for immigration applications:				
1 or 2 Bed Property	£85	per inspection	}	New charges for 2017/18
3 Bed Flat Property	£114	per inspection	}	
4 Bed Property	£157	per inspection	}	
Enforcement of private sector housing conditions - Housing Act 2004 and Mobile Homes Act 2013				
1-4 Hazards:				Cost of officer time to undertake enforcement action + 10% administration cost
1 Bed Property	£342	per enforcement	}	
2 Bed Property	£385	per enforcement	}	
3 Bed Property	£428	per enforcement	}	
4 Bed Property	£513	per enforcement	}	
5 or 6 Bed Property	£556	per enforcement	}	
> 6 Bed Property or HMO	£670	per enforcement	}	
5 or more Hazards:				
1 Bed Property	£428	per enforcement	}	
2 Bed Property	£470	per enforcement	}	
3 Bed Property	£513	per enforcement	}	
4 Bed Property	£612	per enforcement	}	
5 or 6 Bed Property	£655	per enforcement	}	
> 6 Bed Property or HMO	£726	per enforcement	}	
General percentage uplift for next year	2.0%			

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LEGAL FEES – 2016/17
& Proposed 2017/18

	<u>2016/17</u>	<u>2017/18</u>
1. Property Transactions		
1.1 Redemption of Mortgages	£145.00	£148.00
1.2 Transfers of Equity	£280.00	£286.00
1.3 Sale of Land	£410.00	£418.00
1.4 Repayment of Discount and Postponement of Legal Charge	£137.00	£140.00
1.5 Deed of Release of Covenant	£253.00	£258.00
1.5.1 Deed of Covenant + Application to Cancel Land Charges Entry (Form K11)	£110.00	£112.00
1.6 Second Mortgage Questionnaires	£101.00	£103.00
1.7 Licence to cross land/occupy land	£408.00	£416.00
Licences to cross housing land	£123.00	£125.00
1.8 Leases		
(a) Shops	£630.00	£750.00
(b) Industrial (e.g. Oakwood Hill and North Weald)	£610.00	£750.00
(c) Leases contracted out of Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 provisions	£175.00	£179.00
(d) New Lease extending Term (residential)	£521.00	£531.00
1.9 Licences granted pursuant to a lease		
(a) To Assign (add £63.00 if surety)	£382.00	£390.00
(b) For Alterations	£382.00	£390.00
(c) For Change of Use	£382.00	£390.00
(d) To sublet	£382.00	£390.00
1.10 Deed of Surrender of Lease	£380.00	£388.00
1.11 Combined Surrender/Licence	£458.00	£467.00
1.12a Transfer of Lease and Notification of Mortgage (RTB)	£62.00	£63.00
1.12b For commercial leases	£84.00	£86.00
1.13 Deed of Variation (if they produce)	£185.00	£189.00
1.14 Deed of Variation (Legal prepare)	£298.00	£304.00
1.15 Consent for restriction (Land Registry)	£62.00	£63.00

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
2. Planning Agreements		
2.1 S106 Agreement - routine	£612.00	£624.00
2.2 S106 Agreement – complex		Time recorded.
2.3 S106 Agreement including Minor Highway Works	£612.00	£624.00
2.4 S106 Agreement including Major Highway Works	£823.00	£839.00
2.5 Unilateral Undertaking - routine	£339.00	£346.00
2.6 Unilateral Undertaking - Complex		Time recorded.
2.7 Variation/Revocation of S106 Agreement or Unilateral Undertaking	£409.00	£417.00
3. Photocopying		
3.1 Abstract of Title	£9.50 £1.75 for each Deed	£9.70 £1.80 for each Deed
3.2 Other	A4 –£0.85 per page A3–£1.25 per page Add £2.75 for P&P	A4-£0.87 per page A3-£1.28 per page Add £2.80 for P&P
3.3 Any Document that can be obtained as office copies from the Land Registry not in connection with a redemption or other current matter for each document	£9.50 plus £3.00 for P&P	£9.70 plus £3.05 for P&P
3.4 Additional charge for faxing documents/letter	£0.85 per page	£0.87 per page

Governance

Appendix 4

Proposed fees & charges for 2017/18

Service area	Current	Proposed
Development Control		
All figures include VAT at 20%		
Major development schemes of 100 and over new residential units, or the creation of commercial development or changes of use of 10,000 square metres floorspace and over, or changes of use of land or earth movement on land 2 hectares or more.	£3,700	£3,700
Major development schemes of 10 - 99 new residential units, or the creation of commercial development or changes of use between 1,000-9,999 square metres, or changes of use of land or earth movement on land 1 hectares or more.	£1,850	£1,850
Minor development schemes of 3 - 9 new residential units, or the creation of commercial development or changes of use between 100 - 999 square metres or changes of use of land or earth movement on land under 1 hectares.	£870	£870
Minor development schemes of 1- 2 new or replacement residential unit or the creation of commercial development or changes of use up to 100 square metres.	£310	£310
All other cases, including householder additions, adverts, other commercial development alterations.*	£50	£80
<i>* If its a Statutory Listed Building</i>	£0	£120

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Neighbourhoods

Appendix 5

Proposed fees & charges for 2017/18

Service area	2016/17		Proposed 2017/18		Notes
	Application/ Event	Renewal	Application/ Event	Renewal	
Environmental Health					
Training					
Basic food hygiene course	£72.00		£73.00		6 courses 10 per course
Basic health & safety course	£62.00		£63.00		
Animal welfare					
Animal boarding	£307.00	£211.00	£313.00	£215.00	
Dog breeding	£307.00	£211.00	£313.00	£215.00	
Pet Animals Act	£307.00	£211.00	£313.00	£215.00	
Dangerous wild animals	£671.00	£455.00	£684.00	£464.00	
Riding establishment	£671.00	£564.00	£684.00	£575.00	
Stray dog					Set by Waltham Forest as part of contract with them
Dog home boarding fee	£50.00		£70.00		New charge in 2016 currently set too low to recover cost.
Zoo's	£542.00		£553.00		
Licensing.					
Hackney Carriage/Private Hire					
Annual Vehicle Licence	£277.00	£277.00	£277.00	£277.00	Subject to Statutory consultation
Annual Driver's Licence	£186.00	£186.00	£186.00	£186.00	Subject to Statutory consultation 3 year licence
Vehicle plate	£30.00		£30.00		Initial fee, refundable on return
Driver badge	£10.00		£10.00		
Drivers Test	£40.00		£40.00		Refundable if 2 days notice of cancellation given
Drivers re-sit of test	£21.00		£21.00		Refundable if 2 days notice of cancellation given

Service area	2016/17		Proposed 2017/18		Notes
	Application/ Event	Renewal	Application/ Event	Renewal	
Private Hire Operators					
Annual operator licence (1 vehicle only)	£105.00		£105.00		Subject to Statutory consultation, 5 year licence
Annual Operators (> 1 vehicle)	£405.00		£405.00		Subject to Statutory consultation, 5 year licence
Plate exemption	£88.00	£88.00	£88.00	£88.00	
Gambling Act 2005					
See separate sheet					
Miscellaneous					
Special treatment premises	£159.00		£162.00		
Special treatments person	£85.00		£87.00		
Sex Shops and Cinemas	£529.00	£529.00	£540.00	£540.00	
Sexual Entertainment Venues -	£4,110.00	£2,060.00	£4,200.00	£2,100.00	
Street Trading Consents	£390.00	£390.00	£398.00	£398.00	If not successful at sub-committee then half fee refunded
Scrap Metal Dealers	£385.00		£393.00		3 year licence
Scrap Metal Sites	£231.00		£236.00		3 year licence
Road Closure Notices	£173.00		£176.00		
Licensing Act 2003					All fees set by statute based upon premises rateable value plus occupancy for premises holding more than 5,000 people. Personal licences valid for 10 years EFDC cannot amend these charges, therefore not included in this table

Gambling Act 2005

Betting Premises	New application		Annual fee		Variation, Transfer, Re-instatement	
	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed
Betting premises (not tracks)	£1,200.00	£1,220.00	£600.00	£610.00	£1,200.00	£1,220.00

Betting Premises	Licence copy		Notification of change	
	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed
Betting premises (not tracks)	£29.00	£30.00	£29.00	£30.00

Waste management

Bulky household waste

Item	Current	Proposed	Notes
1 to 3 items	£24.00	£24.50	50% concession for pensionable age
4 to 7 items	£36.00	£36.50	50% concession for pensionable age
8 to 10 items	£47.00	£48.00	50% concession for pensionable age
11 to 15 items	£60.00	£61.00	50% concession for pensionable age
More than 15 items	Assessment	Assessment	50% concession for pensionable age

Trade waste

Item	Current	Proposed	Notes
Commercial properties (per collection)	£14.70	£15.00	Service provided on request
Schools and Community premises (per collection)	£9.50	£9.70	Service provided on request

Street Numbering and Naming Charges

Item	Current	Proposed	Notes	
House Name Change/ Addition	£52.50	£52.50	Per property	
Development of 1+ properties	£52.50	£52.50	For first property	
	£18.00	£18.00	Per additional property	
Changes in initial development after initial notification	£52.50	£52.50	For first property	
	£18.00	£18.00	Per additional property	
Renaming of street at residents request	£52.50	£52.50	For first property	
	£18.00	£18.00	Per additional property	
Confirmation of postal address details	£2.85	£2.85	Per certificate issued	
	£18.00	£18.00	Per property involved	

Fee Type Permit Type	Application fee	Annual fee	Renewal fee	Transitional Application Fee
FEC Gaming Machine	£300.00	N/A	£300.00	£100.00
Prize Gaming	£300.00	N/A	£300.00	£100.00
Alcohol Licences Premises – Notification of 2 or less machines	£50.00			
Alcohol Licences Premises – More than 2 machines	£150.00	£50.00	N/A	£100.00
Club Gaming Permit	£200.00	£50.00	£200.00	£100.00
Club Gaming Machine Permit	£200.00	£50.00	£200.00	£100.00
Club Fast-track for Gaming Permit or Gaming Machine Permit	£100.00	£50.00	£200.00	N/A
Small Society Lottery Registration	£40.00	£20.00	£20.00	

Permit - Miscellaneous Fees

	Change of Name £	Copy of Permit £	Variation £	Transfer £
FEC Permits	£25.00	£15.00	N/A	N/A
Prize Gaming Permits	£25.00	£15.00	N/A	N/A
Alcohol Licences Premises – Notification of 2 or less machines	£50.00			
Alcohol Licences Premises – More than 2 machines	£25.00	£15.00	£100.00	£25.00
Club Gaming Permit	N/A	£15.00	£100.00	N/A
Club Gaming Machine Permit	N/A	£15.00	£100.00	N/A
Small Society Lottery Registration	£40.00	£20.00		

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Fee Type Permit Type	Application fee	Annual fee	Renewal fee	Transitional Application Fee
FEC Gaming Machine	£306.00	N/A	£306.00	£102.00
Prize Gaming	£306.00	N/A	£306.00	£102.00
Alcohol Licences Premises – Notification of 2 or less machines	£51.00	N/A	N/A	N/A
Alcohol Licences Premises – More than 2 machines	£153.00	£51.00	N/A	£102.00
Club Gaming Permit	£204.00	£51.00	£204.00	£102.00
Club Gaming Machine Permit	£204.00	£51.00	£204.00	£102.00
Club Fast-track for Gaming Permit or Gaming Machine Permit	£102.00	£51.00	£204.00	N/A
Small Society Lottery Registration	£41.00	£21.00	£21.00	N/A

Permit - Miscellaneous Fees

	Change of Name £	Copy of Permit £	Variation £	Transfer £
FEC Permits	£26.00	£16.00	N/A	N/A
Prize Gaming Permits	£26.00	£16.00	N/A	N/A
Alcohol Licences Premises – Notification of 2 or less machines	£51.00	N/A	N/A	N/A
Alcohol Licences Premises – More than 2 machines	£26.00	£16.00	£102.00	£26.00
Club Gaming Permit	N/A	£16.00	£102.00	N/A
Club Gaming Machine Permit	N/A	£16.00	£102.00	N/A
Small Society Lottery Registration	£41.00	£21.00	N/A	N/A

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