

CHANDLER'S FORD AND HILTINGBURY LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

Wednesday 16 November 2016

FEES AND CHARGES

Report of the Local Area Manager

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Local Area Committee approve the Cemeteries fees and charges to come into effect from 1st January 2017.

Purpose

Fees and Charges for Council services are reviewed on a regular basis. In accordance with the budget strategy approved by the Cabinet in October, fees and charges levied by the Council are being reviewed with the intention of increases being introduced with effect from January 2017 where possible.

Statutory Power

Section 151 of the, Local Government Act 1972

Introduction

1. The purpose of this report is to examine fully the effects of income received by the Council with regard to fees and charges levied for services that are the responsibility of Chandler's Ford and Hiltingbury LAC. A minimum increase in yield of 2.6% for all fees and charges is recommended to be implemented from January 2017 where possible.
2. Local Area Committees have the discretion to set fees for services devolved to their areas subject to compliance with the corporate target to generate an additional minimum yield from fees and charges of 2.6%.

Cemeteries

3. The Service Manager has recommended increasing the Fees and Charges for Cemeteries from 1st January 2017 and the proposed charges are shown in Appendix A.

Risk Management

4. The policy of increasing charges for services at a level of 1.0% above inflation as measured by RPIX is part of the Council's approved Budget Strategy. There is a

risk that proposed charges will not yield the overall anticipated 2.6% additional income target for the budget but this will be monitored closely during the quarterly Corporate Budget Monitoring processes throughout the year.

Equality and Diversity Implications

5. Any service equality and diversity implications will have been considered by Heads of Service as part of their Service Planning processes. No equality and diversity implications have been identified.

Conclusion

A review of the local area committee fees and charges has been undertaken and where possible the review reflects the budget requirement to achieve a 2.6% increase in yield. It is recommended that the fees and charges come into effect from the 1st January 2017.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 – SECTION 100D

The following is a list of documents which disclose facts or matters on which this report or an important part of it is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. This list does not include any published works or documents which would disclose exempt or confidential information:

None

Appendix A

Cemeteries Fees and Charges with effect from 1 Jan 2017

Cemeteries	1 Jan 2016 £	1 Jan 2017 £	Change %
Internment:- All charges inclusive of VAT where applicable			
Child less than 12 years old (including still born)	No Charge	No Charge	-
Single depth	880.00	903.00	2.6
Double depth	1,120.00	1,150.00	2.7
Re-open to single depth	950.00	975.00	2.6
Cremated remains	295.00	303.00	2.7
For right to scatter ashes	80.00	82.00	2.5
Additional charge for providing a 24 hour burial service	490.00	503.00	2.7
Exhumation	At Cost	At Cost	
Additional Charge for Weekend Working Or late funerals incurring overtime	185.00	190.00	2.7
Plot in Columbarium (includes purchase and rights for inscribed plaque and first interment)	750.00	770.00	2.7
Exclusive burial rights: - 30 years	1 Jan 2016 £	1 Jan 2017 £	Change %
Plot selected by Council (purchased at time of burial):-			
Plot for Adult	765.00	785.00	2.6
Plot for Child	435.00	447.00	2.8
Plot for Cremated remains	310.00	320.00	3.2
Plot selected by Purchaser (Purchased in advance):- Only available at Eastleigh Cemetery	1 Jan 2016 £	1 Jan 2016 £	Change %
Plot for Cremated remains	460.00	472.00	2.6
Transferral of burial deeds	95.00	98.00	3.2
Memorials:	1 Jan 2016 £	1 Jan 2017 £	Change %
Inscribing vase under 10"	83.00	85.00	2.4
Any memorial (includes memorial licence for 10 years)	330.00	339.00	2.7
Charges for additional inscription	75.00	77.00	2.7
Memorial shrubs or roses for 7 years	145.00	149.00	2.8
Memorial trees for 7 years	At Cost	At Cost	
Memorial benches for 7 years	At Cost	At Cost	
Memorial benches for additional 7 years	78.00	80.00	2.6

N.B Double charges will be made for all of the above fees to non- residents (after two years outside of the Borough). An exception is made where a resident transfers outside the Borough for specialist Nursing Home or Hospital Care.