

Statement from The s151 Officer

Local Land Charges Fees

Calculation of Charges with effect from 1st April 2016.

Under Statutory Instrument 3248 9 (1) each local authority must publish a statement setting out how the charges are calculated. I have below shown the requirement of the Statutory Instrument and the method of calculation by Mendip District Council follows in bold:

a. the estimates the local authority has made under regulation 6(2) in respect of the unit charge for the following year.

The total income for Mendip has been estimated at £310,000 and the following number of requests for the year is estimated at 5,144. The total cost of the service is estimated at £300,000 resulting in a small surplus of £10,000. Estimated cost recovery is 1.03%, thereby leaving a small margin of error for the new costs calculation As it would be unlawful to budget for a profit, it should be stated here that any over (or under) recovery would be reflected in future fees iterations to ensure full cost recovery for the Council aligned with best value for the customer.

b. the basis for those elements.

The cost of the service is based on expected costs for 2015/16 revised in 2016 17 Budget setting. We have assessed that this is the most accurate data to project costs for 2016/17. The number of requests has been based on requests made during 2015/16.

c. The amount of the unit charge it proposes for the following financial year.

The amount of unit charge proposed for 2016/17 is:

Standard Fees Cost from 1.04.16

Land Charges Fees 2016/17		
LLC1 (Registers only) Residential		£44.00
CON29R Residential		£91.00
LLC1 and CON29R Residential		£135.00
LLC1 (Registers Only) Commercial		£44.00
CON29R Commercial		£91.00
LLC1 and CON29R Commercial		£135.00
CON29O Question 4		£25.00
CON29O Question 5 – 22 -See break down below		
Additional Enquiries (Each)		£15.00
Additional Parcels of Land	LLC1 Only -	£4.00
	Con29 Only	£10.00
	LLC1 & Con29	£14.00
Personal Search – Access to the Local Land Charges Registers		
Registers Only		Nil
Registers Only PARCEL		Nil
Register pages		Nil
CON29O – Optional Enquiries (Inc Vat) £		
Admin fee (if not submitted with a full search) - the fixed costs of officer time, processing payment & print out costs		£10.00
Q.4		£25.00

Q.5	£4.50
Q.6	£1.00
Q.7	£1.00
Q.8	£1.00
Q.9	£8.00
Q.10	£1.00
Q.11	£1.00
Q.12	£1.00
Q.13	£1.00
Q.14	£1.00
Q.15	£1.00
Q.16	£2.00
Q.17	£1.00
Q.18	£9.00
Q.19	£4.50
Q.20	£1.00
Q.21	£1.50
Q.22	£1.00

*Expedite Fee TBA on request

Access to Public Registers will be available free of charge

Mendip District Council will provide a statement by 30th June 2017 outlining the actual costs, number of requests, and unit charge for the financial year 2016/17.

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