

Single Member Cabinet Decision

<b>Executive Forward Plan Reference</b>	E3216
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Fees & Charges 2020/21- Legal Services

<b>Decision maker/s</b>	Cllr Samuel, Cabinet Member for Resources
<b>The Issue</b>	to obtain agreement to the fees and charges for specified services provided, within Legal Services
<b>Decision Date</b>	Not before 18 July 2020
<b>The decision</b>	The Cabinet Member agrees that the fees and charges for relevant services - as proposed in Appendix 1 are to be implemented.
<b>Rationale for decision</b>	The Service has not reviewed its fees and charges since 2015. Given the current financial pressures facing the Council, the Service has reviewed its fees. The compounded inflation rate since 2015 is 11.59%. The standard hourly rate charged to external parties would therefore increase from £150 to £168 (rounded up to the nearest pound).
<b>Financial and budget implications</b>	This is an update to charges for existing services; no additional resources are required to implement the recommendations. This review is needed to reflect the cost of the services provided and to support existing revenue budgets.
<b>Issues considered</b>	Sustainability; Human Resources; Property; Corporate; Other Legal Considerations
<b>Consultation undertaken</b>	Section 151 Finance Officer; Monitoring Officer
<b>How consultation was carried out</b>	Directly with officers
<b>Other options considered</b>	To retain existing fees and charges with consequent loss of revenue due to the effects of inflation.
<b>Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision:</b>	None
<b>Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:</b>	None

<b>Name and Signature of Decision Maker/s</b>	Cllr Richard Samuel
<b>Date of Signature</b>	
<b>Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision</b>	