



PORTFOLIO HOLDER ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT DECISION NOTICE

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At the meeting of the Portfolio Holder – Environment and Transport held on 22nd January 2024 the following matters were discussed. The decisions of the Portfolio Holder are set out below in each item along with reasons for the decision and other options considered.

Present: Councillor S Swinburn (in the Chair)

DNPH.ET.26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest in relation to items on the agenda for this meeting.

DNPH.ET.27 REVIEW OF FEES AND CHARGES IN HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION.

The Portfolio Holder considered a report that sought approval to proceed with the revised fees and charges in Highways and Transportation.

RESOLVED –

That the revised schedule of Fees and Charges, as set out in Appendix 1 of the report, be approved for implementation from 1st April 2024.

REASONS FOR DECISION - Approving the proposed revised Fees and Charges will enable Highways & Transportation to recover costs and this funding can be used to contribute to the budget available to deliver services, including essential licencing and inspection of private

sector work on the road network This will allow the service a sustainable budget to continue to provide a fit for purpose service available to all communities in North East Lincolnshire.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED –

1. Retain current fees and charges. This option is not sustainable long term without further budget allocation, due to rising costs and already overstretched resources. If cost recovery cannot be achieved the Council would have to scale back some of these service provisions which would have negative impact on the quality and flow of the road network.
2. Cease providing/delivering any discretionary services. The services referred to in this report deliver a good value offer and choice to our residents and our partners.
3. Review fees and charges to improve cost recovery. This is the preferred option presented in this report and will ensure the Council maintains its income base with rising cost and achieve a better cost recovery of Highway and Transportation services to ensure a free universal service offer is maintained in all areas.