

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY POLICY

Title: Charging Policy for Public Path Orders, Temporary and Emergency Closures, Landowner Deposits and Statements and Public Rights of Way Searches, Meetings/Site Visits and Enforcement Cost Recovery

Adopted from: April 2025

This policy sets out the fees and charges levied by the Public Rights of Way Team for Public Path Orders, Temporary and Emergency Closures, Landowner Deposits and Statements and Public Rights of Way Searches, Meetings/Site Visits and Enforcement Cost Recovery from April 2025 onwards.

There is no profit element to the charges with costs reflecting the true cost of the administrative process. This policy is part of the Council's overall charging policy. Fees and charges are outside the scope of VAT, unless otherwise stated.

Subject to any departmental review of charging policy or the implementation of statutory regulations relating to local authority charges, the following charges apply from April 2025.

Public Path Orders	
Highways Act 1980 Public Path Order (e.g. Diversion) (Total admin) (plus 2 adverts and works on which VAT is payable)	£5,410
1st instalment - from application to determination	£2,070
2nd instalment - Order making to post-confirmation	£3,340
Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Public Path Order (e.g. Diversion) - Single Property / Mineral application (Total admin) (plus 2 adverts and works on which VAT is payable)	£5,795
1st instalment - from application to determination	£2,235
2nd instalment - Order making to post-confirmation	£3,560
Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Public Path Order (e.g. Diversion) Multiple Properties (Total admin) (plus 2 adverts and works on which VAT is payable)	£6,405
1st instalment - from application to determination	£2,675
2nd instalment - Order making to post-confirmation	£3,730
Temporary Closures (fees exclude posting of notices on site)	
3-day event closure order	£420
Motor event temporary closure (3 days maximum)	£470
5 day or 21-day temporary closure or extension to 21 days	£165
5 day or 21-day temporary closure extension to 6 months	£420
6-month temporary closure order	£420
Extension to 6-month closure requiring Secretary of State approval	£330
Searches	£120
Highways Act 1980 S31(6) deposits & statements on behalf of landowner applicants:	
Deposited statement & plan with consecutive statutory declaration	£335
A statutory declaration relating to a current, valid statement & plan	£170
Meetings/site visits at request of developers/landowners and site notice posting. Rate per Officer per hour* plus mileage. *May be subject to change and will be confirmed in writing ahead of meeting/site visit.	£70
Enforcement cost recovery. Rate per Officer per hour* plus mileage, plus any contractor and police fees. *May be subject to change.	£70