

Committee(s) Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee Hampstead Heath, Highgate Woods and Queen's Park Committee	Dated: 22 April 2024 21 May 2024
Subject: Decisions taken under delegated authority or urgency powers	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	See Background Report
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	See Background Report
If so, how much?	See Background Report
What is the source of Funding?	See Background Report
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	See Background Report
Report of: Town Clerk	For Information
Report author: Blair Stringman, Town Clerk's Department	

Summary

This report advises Members of action taken by the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, in accordance with Standing Order Nos. 41(a).

Main Report

Urgency Decision: Hampstead Heath Fees and Charges for Financial Year 2024-2025

BACKGROUND:

Fees and charges are regularly shared with various consultative bodies, including the Hampstead Heath Sports & Wellbeing Forum and Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee. Unfortunately, the most recent meeting of the Forum (28 February 2024) occurred after the last scheduled meeting of both the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee (15 January) and Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen's Park Committee in the current financial year (12 February 2024), meaning that the urgency process was needed in order to both consult with the Forum, and then the Consultative Committee, and achieve implementation of updated fees and charges at the commencement of the new financial year.

It was proposed that the majority of charges be increased by 5% or increased otherwise to align with relevant benchmarks.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

The Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the committee:

1. Agree, to the proposed fees and charges for financial year 2024-25, as set out in Appendix 1 of the background report.

2. Grant, delegated authority to the Assistant Director (Superintendent) to amend the pricing structure of car parking to allow for charging in shorter increments than is currently possible (two-hour increments for the first four hours, and then one-hour increments thereafter) on a pro rata basis of the parking fees proposed in Appendix 1 of the background report.

Copies of background papers concerning this decision are available from Blair Stringman on request.

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