

**PORTFOLIO HOLDER FINANCE
RESOURCES AND ASSETS
DECISION NOTICE**

At the meeting of the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets held on 16th 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.

DNPH.FR.1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

DNPH.FR.2 REVIEW OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR REGISTRARS AND CIVIC SERVICES

The Portfolio Holder considered a report that set out proposed changes to non-statutory fees for the Registration Service and changes for room hire at Grimsby Town Hall.

RESOLVED –

- 1. That the proposed fees and charges be approved as set out in the report now submitted and as per the full Council approval of organisational uplift of fees and charges in line with the Consumer Prices Index.**
- 2. That authority to the Assistant Chief Executive to so implement the fees and charges with effect from 1st April 2024**

REASONS FOR DECISION – In February 2023 it was approved by Full Council that:

Fees and Charges: that an annual organization wide uplift in fees and

charges (where permissible by law) in line with the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) or any official index replacing it.

The service is confident that it will reach predicted income levels for the current year. However, there is some uncertainty whether income will be achieved over the next two years due to the cost-of-living crisis and the increase in fees. We do have bookings into 2025, but they are only provisional until one year in advance of the ceremony.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – In order for the service to remain competitive, it is proposed that the fees be set, as per the Council recommendation of February 2023.