

Item 8 - Fees and Charges Task and Finish Group: Update on Response to Recommendations Regarding Planning Charges.

Fees and charges for non-statutory planning services.

Below is a table of the fees received so far following the introduction of the charging for existing services on 1 January 2009. Also included are figures relating to the number of requests received, and a comparison figure from the previous year.

Table 1: Income from non-statutory planning fees

Income stream	1 January 2009-31 March 2009	1 April 2009-14 August 2009
PD Enquiries	£970	£1042
Pre-application discussions	£675	£845
Post-decision amendments	£0	£125
Total income p.a.	£1645	£2012
Overall income		£3657

Table 2: Comparison of number of enquiries received

	Number of enquiries received
1 January – 14 August 2008	176
1 January -14 August 2009	150

It is therefore concluded that despite the drop in formal application submissions due to the current economic climate, there remains a relatively consistent level of enquiries received by the Development Control Team. As a result, the income received is welcomed.

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