
8. **MATTERS ARISING –**
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 23RD APRIL 2008 –
CHARGING POLICY AND PROCEDURES

(Report of the Borough Director)

1. **Purpose of Report**

To update Members on the contents of the draft Charging Policy and Procedure for Redditch Borough Council considered by the Executive Committee on the 23rd of April 2008.

2. **Recommendations**

The Council is asked to RESOLVE that

- 1) **the update be noted; and**
- 2) **the Council approve and adopt the Charging Policy and Procedure, set out in Appendices A and B to the report, as submitted to the meeting of the Executive Committee on the 23rd of April 2008 and as now updated.**

3. **Report / Key Issues**

- 3.1 At the meeting of the Executive Committee on 23rd April 2008, Members supported the principle of introducing a Redditch Borough Council Charging Policy and Procedure, but requested that further consideration be given to paragraph 3.12 of the Charging Policy (which stated that *“with regard to discretionary services, everybody, even those in receipt of benefits / income support, must contribute something via charges at the point of use”*.)
- 3.2 It was agreed that this paragraph should be deleted and following paragraphs renumbered accordingly.
- 3.3 Councillor MacMillan will be available as Chair of the meeting and now Chair of the Fees & Charges Sub-Committee in case of any questions.

4. **Conclusion**

In the light of the above, Members are requested to agree the Charging Policy and Procedure as now amended / updated.

5. **Consultation**

Consultation has taken place with the Chair of the Fees & Charges Task and Finish Group, Councillor C MacMillan.

6. **Background Papers**

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7. **Author of Report**

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8. **Appendix**

Covering report and draft Charging Policy and Procedure (previously circulated to the Executive Committee on the 23rd April 2008).