FEES AND CHARGES REPORT APPENDIX 7 – FIXED PENALTY NOTICES

Community Safety

1. Service Description

Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) are used to tackle specific problems associated with enviro- crime and anti-social behaviour. These charges are in the main set by statute and where appropriate set locally by the Council.

These charges are levied at a rate relevant to the specific incident and are used as an immediate deterrent to reduce the number of incidents in specific areas.

The vast majority of the fees are statutory and set by central government with a range between minimum and maximum full penalties.

2. Prior years analysis, current financial year projections

The graph below illustrates the levels of income achieved in previous financial years. As you can see this is a very low volume/income service with the majority of charges being statutory. Any variations in fees within our control would not generate a material surplus/loss within this area.



3. Pricing

The maximum charge allowed, as set by Government, for failure to comply with a waste receptacles notice has been increased to the maximum penalty of £100.

4. Understanding Customers and Markets

The approach taken in regards to enviro-crime specifically is currently under review and with it the use of Fixed Penalty Notices for enforcement. During 18/19 the Council enhanced its use of fixed penalty notices mainly relation to the early presentation of waste with the Councils bagged collection areas.

5. Proposed Charges

The charging schedule sets out where fees are set by statute and where fees are set by the Council. It is proposed that the fees set by the Council remain largely the same as post analysis they are deemed to cover the costs that are incurred within the service.

Statutory charges will be applied in accordance with legislation.

Inflation at 3% has been applied to non-statutory fees and charges relating to high hedges.

6. Recommendation

Members are requested to recommend to Council the charges for 2020/21 as set out in the schedule below.

Prosperous Communities Committee					Fixed Penalty Notices			
		2019/20 Proposed Increase/decrease		2020/21	VAT Amount	2020/21 Charge Inc. VAT	VAT Ra	
		£	% Type	or £	£	£	£	
Depositing Litter	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£75.00			£75.00	£0.00	£75.00	os
	Fee set by Government - discounted if paid within 10 days	£50.00			£50.00	£0.00	£50.00	os
Failure to produce Waste Documents	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£300.00			£300.00	£0.00	£300.00	os
Failure to produce Authority to Transport Waste	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£300.00			£300.00	£0.00	£300.00	os
Unauthorised Distribution of Free Printed Matter	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£75.00			£75.00	£0.00	£75.00	os
Failure to comply with a Domestic Waste Receptacles Notice	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£100.00			£100.00	£0.00	£100.00	os
	Fee set by Government - discounted if paid within 10 days	£75.00			£75.00	£0.00	£75.00	os
Failure to comply with an Industrial and Commercial Waste Receptacles Notice	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£100.00			£100.00	£0.00	£100.00	os
	Fee set by Government - discounted if paid within 10 days	£75.00			£75.00	£0.00	£75.00	os
Abandoning a Vehicle	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£200.00			£200.00	£0.00	£200.00	os
Nuisance Parking	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£100.00			£100.00	£0.00	£100.00	os
Anti Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 - Community Protection Notice	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£100.00			£100.00	£0.00	£100.00	os
	Fee set by Government - discounted if paid within 10 days	£75.00			£75.00	£0.00	£75.00	os
Anti Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 - Public Space Protection Order	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£100.00			£100.00	£0.00	£100.00	os
	Fee set by Government - discounted if paid within 10 days	£75.00			£75.00	£0.00	£75.00	os
Fly tipping	Fee set by Government - payable within 14 days of issue	£400.00			£400.00	£0.00		
High Hedge Fee	Fee set locally	£307.20	3%		£316.00	£0.00		
Fee for abandoned shopping trolleys High Hedges Complaints Application	Fee set locally (maximum charge)	£100.00 £307.20	3%		£100.00 £316.00	£0.00	£100.00 £316.00	