



East Cambridgeshire
District Council

BUDGET

2026 to 2027

as approved



FORWARD

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 This budget book sets out the Council's revenue budget, capital strategy, and the required level of Council Tax in 2026/27. The report assesses the robustness of the budgets, the adequacy of reserves and updates the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS).

2.0 Approval

- 2.1 At the Full Council meeting on the 24th February 2026 the Council approved:
- i) The formal Council Tax Resolution which calculates the Council Tax requirement as set out in Appendix 1
 - ii) The revenue budget for 2026/27 and MTFS for 2027/28 to 2029/30 as set out in Appendices 2(a) and 2(b)
 - iii) A Council Tax freeze in 2026/27
 - iv) The Statement of Reserves as set out in Appendix 3
 - v) The Capital Strategy and financing as set out in Appendix 4
 - vi) The 2026/27 Fees and Charges as set out in Appendix 5
 - vii) The application of Business Rate reliefs for 2026/27, including those announced in the Autumn Budget and fully funded by Government through Section 31 grant, as detailed in sections 6.6 to 6.7 of this report.
 - viii) The changes to the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme and premiums for Long-Term Empty and Second Homes as detailed in sections 11.8 and 11.9 of this report.
 - ix) To delegate authority to the Finance and Asset Committee to approve the fees and charges for the new Bereavement Centre.

3.0 Background / Options

- 3.1 At the Full Council meeting on 25th February 2025, members approved a net budget for 2025/26 of £12,487,403 and a frozen Council Tax. The budget had a planned draw of £1,812,895 from the Surplus Savings Reserve. The Medium Term Financial Strategy at that time showed a balanced budget in 2026/27 (using further resources from the Surplus Savings Reserve and an increase in Council Tax of £5), but with significant budget deficits in 2027/28 and 2028/29.
- 3.2 The outturn position for 2024/25 was reported to the Finance and Assets Committee on the 26th June 2025. This showed that due to the actions taken by management to reduce the Council's cost base prior to and during 2024/25 and

the prudent forecast of Business Rates receipts, the Council underspent in 2024/25 by £2,621,278. This was transferred into the Surplus Savings Reserve.

- 3.3 Management has continued to look for opportunities to reduce the Council's cost base during the current financial year. This work has led to further one-off and ongoing savings being made, which both contribute to the projected outturn for this financial year and also provide savings throughout the term of the MTFS. The current year-end forecast for 2025/26, as presented to the Finance and Asset Committee on the 29th January 2026, is an underspend of £1,271,162. This too will be transferred to the Surplus Savings Reserve at year-end and has been reflected in the figures in this report.

Local Government Finance – Policy Statement

- 4.1 The Local Government Finance Policy Statement 2026/27 to 2028/29 was published on 20 November 2025, setting out the Government's plans for the first multi-year Local Government Finance Settlement in a decade. The statement outlines substantive reforms to deliver a fairer and simpler funding system for local government in England.
- 4.2 At the heart of the policy is the implementation of the Fair Funding Review 2.0, which updates how funding allocations are calculated to better reflect councils' relative needs and resources. This follows extensive consultation and represents the most significant overhaul of local government funding in many years.
- 4.3 The Government's objective is to align funding with need and to redistribute resources towards authorities facing the greatest demand pressures and lowest capacity to raise income locally. The statement sets out the Government's response to the Fair Funding Review 2.0 and explains how the new funding system will be delivered through the 2026/27 Settlement.
- 4.4 To support the transition to the new funding system, a full reset of the Business Rates Retention System (BRRS) is planned from 1 April 2026. This reset will establish new business rates baselines and redistribute retained business rates income in line with updated assessments of need. A transitional baseline will be used to phase changes over the multi-year settlement and to mitigate potential sudden funding losses.
- 4.5 The policy introduces phasing arrangements to manage the impact of funding redistribution. Revenue Support Grant will be used to move authorities gradually to their new funding positions over the three years of the settlement, preventing abrupt changes to councils' funding levels in 2026/27.
- 4.6 Consistent with the Government's aim to provide certainty for local authorities, the policy consolidates a large number of revenue funding streams into the core Settlement. An unprecedented 33 funding streams — previously paid outside the Settlement across multiple departments — will be brought into the Settlement framework over the three-year period. This simplifies funding, reduces fragmentation, and gives councils greater predictability.
- 4.7 The Government has confirmed a continuation of flexibility on Council Tax referendum principles for the period of the multi-year Settlement. This provides

local authorities with clarity on the parameters within which they can set Council Tax levels to support service delivery.

- 4.8 Transitional protections include increased Safety Net arrangements, with protection at 100% of set Baseline Funding Levels for 2026/27, providing a safeguard against significant falls in funding during the reset and recalibration of the business rates system. The Safety Net threshold will return gradually to its standard level over the course of the settlement.
- 4.9 The policy also confirms continued support for key services and targeted funding, including a guaranteed continuation of the Recovery Grant for authorities previously eligible, coupled with a Recovery Grant Guarantee to ensure minimum real-terms funding increases for eligible upper-tier authorities. Further additional grant funding for services such as adult social care and children's services has also been built into the multi-year Settlement.
- 4.10 For levies that have disproportionately impacted some authorities (e.g., Internal Drainage Board levies), the Government plans dedicated support funding for 2026/27, with allocations to be announced ahead of the provisional Settlement.
- 4.11 Overall, the 2026/27 Policy Statement marks a fundamental shift towards a fairer, simpler and more evidence-based funding system, underpinned by transitional protections and multi-year certainty. The reforms are intended to create a more rational distribution of government funding that better reflects local need while providing councils with increased planning stability.

5.0 Local Government Finance Settlement

- 5.1 The Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement was announced on the 17th December 2025 with then the Final Settlement on the 9th February 2026.
- 5.2 Under the Final Settlement, Revenue Support Grant (RSG) is no longer paid in the traditional way. Instead, it is part of transitional support to help councils adjust to changes from the Fair Funding Review. For East Cambridgeshire, RSG provides temporary support rather than ongoing funding linked to inflation or service costs, with amounts of £4,566,956 in 2026/27, £3,508,806 in 2027/28, and £2,415,112 in 2028/29. This ensures short-term stability while the new funding system is gradually introduced.
- 5.3 The Final Settlement confirms the introduction of a new Adjustment Support Grant for 2026/27, provided as a one-off adjustment to manage the transition to the revised funding baseline. For East Cambridgeshire, this grant totals £564,608.20 and has been applied to align Core Spending Power with the national settlement methodology and mitigate the immediate impact of changes arising from the funding reforms. The grant is non-recurrent in nature and does not form part of the Council's ongoing baseline funding, and therefore does not provide sustainable long-term funding support beyond 2026/27.
- 5.3 The New Homes Bonus scheme has been fully discontinued from 2026/27, in line with Government policy. There are no legacy payments or further allocations. For East Cambridgeshire, this removes a previously significant and variable source of

income, with funding effectively absorbed into the revised baseline funding assessment as part of the Fair Funding Review.

- 5.4 The Final Settlement confirms that transitional protections remain in place to manage the impact of funding changes resulting from the Fair Funding Review and Business Rates reset. These protections are incorporated into baseline funding levels rather than provided through a separate grant. For East Cambridgeshire, the phasing of these protections results in amounts of £3,948.71 in 2026/27, £713,309.15 in 2027/28, and £1,451,052.18 in 2028/29. While this provides short-term stability, it does not eliminate the underlying reductions in funding, which are gradually phased in over time rather than avoided entirely.
- 5.5 The Final Settlement confirms that the Recovery Grant will continue in 2026/27, remaining targeted at authorities experiencing the highest levels of financial pressure. East Cambridgeshire does not meet the eligibility criteria for this funding and therefore receives no allocation.
- 5.6 The Final Settlement confirms that support for authorities facing higher Internal Drainage Board (IDB) levies will continue in 2026/27. A total of £5 million is available to affected councils, and the Council's historic eligibility means an allocation has been assumed within the budget (£80,000). This provides greater certainty over the Council's funding position compared with the provisional stage, although individual allocations are confirmed by the IDB funding formula.
- 5.7 The lead authority for Cambridgeshire requested that the existing Cambridgeshire Business Rates Pool be revoked. As a result, East Cambridgeshire District Council will not participate in a Business Rates Pool in 2026/27 and will instead operate on an individual authority basis for business rates purposes.

6.0 Business Rates

- 6.1 The NNDR 1 return for 2026/27 was produced by the end of January in line with statutory requirements. Figures from this have been included in the budget as presented.
- 6.2 While East Cambridgeshire District Council has previously benefitted from retained Business Rates growth, the full Business Rates baseline reset implemented in 2026/27 means that future growth is redistributed through the new funding system. There remains a risk that successful appeals could be lodged and backdated, potentially affecting income over multiple years. Accordingly, the Council continues to include a provision for Business Rates appeals when determining the amount of rates income to be recognised within the 2026/27 budget.
- 6.3 The MTFs assumed that the Collection Fund for Business Rates would be in balance as at 31st March 2026, however the completed NNDR1 shows that the Fund will be in surplus at this time and that £104,024 of additional income will be available to this Council in 2026/27.
- 6.4 East Cambridgeshire District Council will not participate in a Business Rates Pool in 2026/27, following the revocation of the Cambridgeshire Business Rates Pool by the lead authority. The other authorities previously in the Pool –

Cambridgeshire County Council, Cambridgeshire Fire Authority, Peterborough City Council, and South Cambridgeshire District Council – will now operate independently. Cambridge City Council, Fenland District Council, and Huntingdonshire District Council were not members of the Pool and continue to operate outside it. As a result, East Cambridgeshire will account for business rates on an individual authority basis, with no pooling of growth or risk-sharing arrangements.

- 6.5 The approach to business rates support in 2026/27 includes the replacement of the temporary 40% Retail, Hospitality and Leisure relief (available for 2025/26) with the new permanently lower multipliers for qualifying properties from April 2026. Any other business rates reliefs announced in the national budget are also reflected, as detailed in section 6.6. These assumptions have been informed by advice from our external consultant, Pixel Financial Management.
- 6.6 Although the 2026/27 business rates multipliers and reliefs were set out in the Autumn Budget on 26 November 2025, the Council must use its discretionary powers under Section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 to grant certain reliefs, including Supporting Small Business Relief. Central Government will fully reimburse the cost of these nationally mandated reliefs through Section 31 grants.
- 6.7 With the Spring Statement expected to take place in March 2026, if any further discretionary reliefs to Business Rates are announced, Council is asked to delegate authority to the Director of Finance to implement these, provided they are fully funded by Government through Section 31 grant.

7.0 The 2026/27 Budget

- 7.1 Due to the proactive actions taken by management to reduce costs and generate new sources of funding in recent years, the revenue budget for 2026/27 is fully funded.
- 7.2 The budget for 2026/27 is set out in Appendix 2 to this report.
- 7.3 The following key assumptions have been made in preparing the budget:
- The April 2025 inflationary pay increase for staff has been assumed at 2.5% with then in addition the additional employer National Insurance contributions built into the budget;
 - Service leads are provided budget to cover their full staff establishment – i.e. without a turnover allowance;
 - Where known, inflation on contracts has been included to reflect the expected increase in these during the year. These include insurance and IT licences;
 - Inflation has been added to the Waste contract for 2026/27, with additional budget being provided to allow all the Waste fleet to use HVO fuel, thus reducing carbon emissions. Funding is also provided for the capital costs of the new vehicles (purchased in 2025/26) which will start being charged to East Cambs Street Scene (ECSS) in 2026/27.
 - The budget also reflects a clearer client and contractor split within Waste, with the costs of the Mechanical Recycling Facility (MRF); income from Recycling Credits

and the Extended Producer Responsibility Grant, as well as some staff costs, now being treated as client costs;

- 9% inflation has been added to the Parks and Gardens contract with East Cambs Trading Company (ECTC);
- Internal Drainage Board levies have been inflated by 7.5% based on information received from Middle Level Commissioners, this in advance of the individual drainage boards setting their detailed budgets. Drainage levies have increased significantly above general inflation in recent years as a consequence of higher electricity costs and water volumes;
- Other expenditure budgets have been increased between 0% and 2% for inflation;
- Pension Fund revaluations are undertaken every three years, with the most recent valuation completed as at 31 March 2025. Following this valuation, employer contribution rates for the period from 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029 have been confirmed. As a result of the improved funding position of the Pension Fund, the Council is no longer required to make a lump sum (secondary) contribution. From 1 April 2026, the Council will instead pay a single employer contribution rate of 18.5%.

This replaces the previous arrangement under which the Council paid a primary rate of 17.4% together with a lump sum contribution of £437,000 in 2025/26. The revised contribution rate of 18.5% will apply for the full valuation period to 31 March 2029 and has been reflected in the Medium Term Financial Strategy.

- The Housing Benefit budget reflects the mid-year position for 2025/26: the latest information received from Anglia Revenues Partnership (ARP);
- No adjustments to spend have been made to reflect the anticipated increase in population within the District;
- Budgeted income from the commuter car park has been increased by £10k in line with the expected increase seen in year 2025/26.
- A budget allocation of £50k is set aside as a match funding to support the parish councils in support of neighbourhood plans with a maximum payment of £5k;

8.0 Reserves

- 8.1 The Council holds reserves, at levels which remain prudent. It is important to review the level of reserves on a regular basis, in particular to ensure that potential liabilities not in the Council's base budget can be funded from earmarked reserves; and that unearmarked reserves are at a sufficient level to cover any unforeseen events.
- 8.2 As part of the process of preparing this budget, officers have reviewed each reserve to ensure its purpose and level is appropriate. A Statement of Reserves is attached at Appendix 3.
- 8.3 The sole unearmarked reserve is the General Fund. This currently stands at £1,426,014. There is no statutory minimum level set for local authority reserves; it is a matter for each local authority's own judgement after taking into consideration the strategic, operational and financial risks it faces. It has been this Council's

policy for some time that the level of the unearmarked reserve be set at 10% of the net operating budget (before any movement to the reserve). This is a reasonably prudent approach and a higher percentage than many other authorities locally. The proposed net operating budget for 2026/27 is £16,908,718. Using the 10% figure, this requires an unearmarked reserve of £1,690,872 an increase of £264,858.

9.0 Fees and Charges

- 9.1 Officers have reviewed the fees and charges, and details of the proposed charges for 2026/27 are shown at Appendix 5. The proposed budgets have been adjusted to reflect the change in price and volumes expected in 2026/27.
- 9.2 Where we have control over the fee level, as opposed to where these are negotiated nationally, and where the fee relates to work undertaken by officers, it is proposed to increase fees and charges by approximately 2.5%. This reflects the forecast 2.5% inflationary increase in pay on the 1st April 2026. This approach ensures that the additional cost of providing the service is met by the person / organisation benefiting from the service, rather than the general populous through Council Tax.
- 9.3 As external funding from Government grants continues to reduce, the Council's approach to fees and charges will need to reflect the increasing importance of this as a funding source.

10.0 Capital Strategy

- 10.1 The CIPFA revised 2017 Prudential and Treasury Management Codes required, from 2019/20, all local authorities to prepare a capital strategy report, which provides:
 - a high level long term overview of how capital expenditure, capital financing and treasury management activity contribute to the provision of services;
 - an overview of how the associated risk is managed;
 - the implications for future financial sustainability.
- 10.2 This Council has one major capital project planned at this time, with the remainder of the programme, to the most part, being a continuation of the previous programme. The medium term Capital Programme is attached at Appendix 4; the total value of the programme in 2026/27 is £7,474,882.
- 10.3 The Council's Treasury Management Strategy is a separate document, which is also on today's Council agenda for approval.
- 10.4 The principal capital project within the 2026/27 Capital Programme is the development of a District Bereavement Centre on the Council-owned Mepal site at Ireton's Way. The scheme comprises a crematorium, a modular function room, and associated natural burial and pet cemetery facilities. The project commenced in 2025/26, with a total estimated cost of £12,890,617. The budget provision for 2026/27 is £2,482,583, with completion expected by July 2026. Funding will be provided through Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) contributions.
- 10.5 Where the additional cost of vehicles purchased in 2025/26, 2026/27 and future years impact the charge to ECSS, the Council has increased the management

fee it pays ECSS for providing the service as detailed in paragraph 7.3 to ensure that it can meet these additional costs.

- 10.6 Council at its meeting on the 21st April 2022, approved a further loan facility to ECTC of £7.5 million. Much of this has been provided in the current year and previous years, with the current profile assuming that £4,000,000 will be provided in 2026/27. This funding is to ensure that ECTC has the finance available to progress and complete two building development schemes, these being phase two and three at the former MoD site in North Ely. The Council has security in place with regard to this loan in the form of a debenture which provides it with first ranking security over all unsecured assets of the Company.
- 10.7 There are a number of capital budgets that continue into 2026/27, having been in place in previous years, where there is a commitment to continue spending in each year of the capital programme:
- The purchase of new wheelied bins. As further residential properties are built within the District, these need to be supplied with bins, so the Council needs to have these available. The cost of these, estimated at £40,000 per annum, will be covered by a combination of Section 106 funding from developers and capital receipts.
 - Disabled Facilities, both mandatory and discretionary. The Council receives Government funding (from the Better Care Fund), via the County Council to assist with the funding of this work. The total budget in 2026/27 is £772,299.
 - Vehicle replacement funding for the Parks and Gardens team. These vehicles are purchased by the Council using Section 106 funding, and then hired to ECTC at a rate to cover the notional MRP and interest costs using the same approach as with Waste vehicles.
- 10.8 As agreed in the 2017/18 budget, the Council now funds expenditure that would have previously been funded from external borrowing, on schemes such as the Leisure Centre, Waste fleet and bins and the loan to the ECTC, from internal borrowing. As interest chargeable on external borrowing is higher than interest receipts on investments, this provides a net saving to the Council. The expectation is that all borrowing in 2026/27 will be funded from internal borrowing, thus preventing any external borrowing costs. More details of the Council's borrowing requirement and investment strategy are detailed in the Treasury Management Strategy (also on the agenda for this meeting).
- 10.9 In summary therefore, the Council has limited exposure to the ongoing costs of capital expenditure at this time. The MRP costs of the Leisure Centre are being met by the operator through the management fee; the loan to ECTC is due to be repaid in full by March 2027 and in the intervening period a commercial interest rate is being charged, and the costs of the Waste fleet will be passed onto ECSS, although the Council's management fee payable to ECSS has been increased in 2026/27 and 2027/28 to reflect the additional MRP payments the Company will be paying on the replacement vehicles.

11.0 Council Tax

- 11.1 The MTFS assumed that the Collection Fund for Council Tax would be in balance as at 31st March 2026. However, due to the increased number of houses built in the District during 2025/26 and the fact that Council Tax receipts have not been impacted by the cost of living crisis as much as expected, the Fund is now forecast to be in surplus at the end of this financial year. The net position being that the Council will benefit by £150,313 from the Collection Fund surplus in 2026/27.
- 11.2 The taxbase for 2026/27 is estimated at 33,393.0 Band D equivalent properties.
- 11.3 As detailed earlier in this report, the Local Government Policy Statement detailed that district councils can increase Council Tax by 2.99% or £5 without the need for a referendum. A 1% increase in Council Tax for this Council would generate an additional £47,465, whereas a £1 increase would generate a further £33,393.0. For this Council therefore the £5 figure would be the highest, generating additional income of £166,965 in the year.
- 11.4 Following the decision of Finance and Assets Committee on the 29th January 2026, the budget is drafted on the assumption that the Council will freeze Council Tax in 2026/27 at £142.14. If approved, this will be the thirteen consecutive year the Council has frozen its element of Council Tax.
- 11.5 The County Council, Fire Authority, Police Authority and Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority budgets and precepts were considered by their respective decision making bodies in early February and we have been notified of their precept requirements.
- 11.6 It should be noted that the County Council's precept includes an element to fund adult social care, this following the Secretary of State's offer to all adult social care authorities (those with functions under Part 1 of the Care Act 2014). The offer allows an adult social care authority to increase its council tax by a further 2% without holding a referendum, to assist the authority in meeting its expenditure on adult social care. This arrangement has been in place since 2016/17.
- 11.7 All parish precepts have also been notified to the Council. These are shown along with the precepts set out in paragraphs 11.4 and 11.6, in the formal Council Tax Resolution as detailed in Appendix 1.
- 11.8 Finance and Assets Committee at its meeting on 27th November 2025 agreed that its Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme (LCTRS) remain unchanged for 2026/27.

- 11.9 At the Full Council meeting held on 25 February 2025 it was agreed to apply a premium of 100% to Second Homes from the 1st April 2026. This decision is to remain unchanged.

12.0 Risk and Sensitivity Analysis

- 12.1 The Local Government Act 2003 places two specific requirements on an authority's Section 151 Officer in determining the Council's budget and Council Tax. Under Section 25, the Section 151 Officer must advise on the **robustness of the estimates** included in the budget. The advice given to the Council on this issue is that the estimates have been produced on a prudent basis, with a strong emphasis on ensuring all cost pressures are included. Budget estimates have been developed with senior officers, with regular updates and discussions with members of Management Team.
- 12.2 The main financial risk for the Council continues to be uncertainty around future Government funding. While the Fair Funding Review introduces a multi-year funding settlement from 2026/27, providing greater short-term stability, there remains limited clarity on how the new funding formula and Business Rates reset will impact individual councils over the medium term. As a result, the Medium Term Financial Strategy has been developed using prudent assumptions, recognising that funding allocations may change as the new arrangements are implemented.
- 12.3 One of the Council's most significant financial challenges arises from the Fair Funding Review and the full reset of Business Rates from 2026/27. The existing Business Rates baseline, set in 2013, has been replaced, and historic growth retained by councils will no longer be reflected in future funding. The Final Settlement has now been published, providing clarity on the Council's funding position. The Medium Term Financial Strategy has been updated to reflect the confirmed figures, including transitional protections, which phase changes over time. While this improves certainty, the full financial impact will continue to be realised over the medium term.
- 12.4 Unlike the position for the past two years, inflation and the consequential higher pay rises are anticipated to be less of an issue in 2026/27. Section 7.3 of this report details the inflation built into the 2025/26 budget, but in addition to this a £100,000 provision of additional unknown inflation has been built into the budget. To put some context to this figure, we have budgeted for a 2.5% increase in staff pay from the 1st April 2026, if pay was to increase by 3.5% (1% higher) this would cost the Council a further £105,474.
- 12.5 To mitigate the above risks, the Section 151 Officer will continue to report on a regular basis to Management Team and Members as new information becomes available.
- 12.6 The Section 151 Officer is also required to report on the **adequacy of reserves**. The projected level of reserves, specifically the General Fund Reserve and Surplus Savings Reserve, and their use in 2026/27 are **prudent** and show how these will sustain the functions of the Council in that year.

- 12.7 However, the MTFS assumes the Surplus Savings Reserve is utilised during 2026/27 and 2027/28, with only a small amount being carried into 2028/29. This will reduce the overall level of reserves significantly. Reserves can only be utilised once and while the purpose of the Surplus Savings Reserve is to provide one-off funding to balance the budget in future years, the Council needs to consider all options to reduce the speed that this is being utilised so that it remains available as far as possible into the future. The Council has a track record of delivering additional savings and generating extra income in advance of the budget requirement, so work done during 2025/26 and 2026/27 financial years will hopefully lead to a reduced draw from the Surplus Savings Reserve in these and future years through the MTFS period.
- 12.8 Another key risk for the Council is its loan to ECTC. Should ECTC encounter any financial difficulties and be unable to repay the £7,500,000 loan facility, then the Council will need to account for this within its financial statements. In such an event, the Council would need to draw on its reserves to meet such a liability. At this point, it should be noted there is no indication that this is likely to be the case and indeed not all of the loan facility has, as yet, been drawn down. To limit this risk further and as detailed in 10.10 above, the Council has security in place with regard to this loan in the form of a debenture which provides it with first ranking security over all unsecured assets of the Company.

13.0 Medium Term Financial Strategy

- 13.1 The Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy is to set a robust financial framework for the Council's plans over the next four years which support the delivery of the Council's priorities within a context of an annual balanced budget. Specifically, the MTFS:
- Looks to the longer term to help plan sustainable services within an uncertain external economic and funding environment;
 - Maximises the Council's financial resilience to manage risk and volatility, including managing adequate reserves;
 - Helps ensure that the Council's financial resources are directed to support delivery of the Council's priorities over the medium term.
- 13.2 The MTFS covers the period 2026/27 to 2029/30. As highlighted earlier in the report, the Policy Statement and Local Government Finance Settlement announced by Government for 2026/27 provide assurance about the grant position for the budget year.
- 13.3 Developing a robust Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2027/28 and beyond remains important due to ongoing changes in Government funding. The Fair Funding Review and the full reset of Business Rates are now confirmed, and the Final Settlement has been published, providing clarity on the Council's funding for 2026/27. While the settlement improves certainty for the immediate year, some aspects of future allocations and the phasing of funding changes remain uncertain. The MTFS will continue to be monitored and updated as further details of Government funding decisions for subsequent years are released. Any significant changes will be reported to the Finance and Assets Committee to ensure the Council can respond appropriately and maintain financial stability.

13.4 The assumptions used in the MTFS include:

- Government funding from 2026/27 is assumed to be based on the Fair Funding Review and a multi-year funding settlement, following the cessation of the New Homes Bonus and Funding Floor Grant in 2025/26;
- The MTFS includes transitional funding arising from the Government's 95% income protection arrangements, as reflected in the Local Government Finance Settlement. This funding is included only for the years explicitly indicated, up to 2028/29, and is transitional in nature. It has not been assumed as ongoing funding beyond this period, and any change to, or withdrawal of, this protection represents a financial risk to the Council;
- Inflation on staff pay is included at 2.5% in 2026/27 and then 2% in all future years;
- The loan to ECTC is planned to be repaid by March 2027, the interest received by the Council on this loan will therefore stop at this point. The loan repayments will be used to reduce / prevent the Council needing to borrow externally and/or to invest in line with the Treasury Management Strategy;
- The Government's Waste Strategy requires the introduction of weekly household food waste collections from 2026, and the associated revenue costs have been included within the 2026/27 budget and the forward years of the Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS). Although the Final 2026/27 Local Government Finance Settlement confirms a multi-year funding framework for 2026/27 to 2028/29, including Fair Funding Review 2.0 reforms, it does not provide any confirmed, specific funding to offset these ongoing costs, and the scale and timing of income from the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) regime remain uncertain. On a prudent basis, no additional income has therefore been assumed within the MTFS, and this position will be kept under review as further funding detail becomes available;
- On interest receipts, it is assumed that interest rates will remain at around 3.5% in 2026/27, but then reducing during the MTFS period to 2.75% by 2028/29;

- There remains no assumption in the MTFS for any dividends being received from ECTC. (While noting that no dividends are budgeted for, it should not be forgotten that the Council continues to get a benefit from ECTC, with interest being paid on the loan provided, the recharge of management and support services costs to the Company, the hire of the Market Place and part of the depot (the remainder is charged to ECSS), as well as Capital Receipts, Section 106 contributions and additional Council Tax receipts from the properties developed.);
 - The budget and MTFS include the impacts of the construction or running costs of the proposed new Crematorium at Mepal;
 - The Council has a track record of delivering cost reductions; it is anticipated therefore that a contribution to the budget deficit forecast in future years will be achieved during the term through general efficiencies and income generating opportunities. However, to be prudent, no account of these is shown within the forecasts in this report.
- 13.5 The impact of the above assumptions is attached at Appendix 2. This shows the budgets for 2026/27 and 2027/28 are fully funded. However, there are significant budget shortfalls projected in 2028/29 and subsequent years. Clearly many things will change between now and then, so Members should not focus on the precise numbers. It is far more important that Members appreciate the direction of funding facing this and many local authorities, and the likely scale. It will be necessary to develop a plan to meet these shortfalls, although the Council does have time (although limited) to put the necessary plans in place. The Council also has access to a reasonable level of reserves, as described in Section 8 of this report.
- 13.6 While noting the uncertainty that is highlighted in this report about the 2026/27 financial year, it is considered unlikely that the quantum of funding from Government will increase and as such, this Council will need to identify measures to bridge the budget gap. A comparison between this year's MTFS and the past two last years does highlight an increased savings need particularly in years three and four.

2024/25 Budget	
2024/25 – budget year	Balanced
2025/26 – MTFS year 1	Balanced
2026/27 – MTFS year 2	Savings to find £3,196,858
2027/28 – MTFS year 3	Savings to find £5,586,743
2025/26 Budget	
2025/26 – budget year	Balanced
2026/27 – MTFS year 1	Balanced
2027/28 – MTFS year 2	Savings to find £4,502,091
2028/29 – MTFS year 3	Savings to find £5,602,453
2026/27 Budget	
2026/27 – budget year	Balanced
2027/28 – MTFS year 1	Balanced
2028/29 – MTFS year 2	Savings to find £2,280,799
2029/30 – MTFS year 3	Savings to find £6,367,417

13.7 Options to resolve the budget shortfalls in future years include:

- Efficiencies in the cost of service delivery
- Increased income from fees and charges
- Reductions in service levels
- Increased commercialisation via the trading companies

13.8 While noting the Council's favourable position of having a balanced budget (by use of the Surplus Savings Reserve) for 2026/27 and 2027/28, it is strongly recommended that early consideration is given to how savings in future years will be achieved. All the bullets above need to be considered, with a quickening of the pace with a review of all income generating opportunities, as these are potentially the areas that could generate the highest returns, while having least impact on the services provided by the Council. However, within the MTFS period, all options will need to be considered and potentially implemented.

13.9 Any savings achieved in 2025/26 and 2026/27 resulting in potential underspends in those years, will allow further funding to be moved into the Surplus Savings Reserve and therefore available to assist in the balancing of the budget in future years.

14.0 Conclusions

14.1 The proactive actions already taken have enabled a balanced budget for 2026/27, utilising the Surplus Savings Reserve where necessary. With the Fair Funding Review allocations and multi-year settlement now confirmed, the Council has greater certainty over its funding for 2026/27 compared with previous forecasts. While this reduces the overall level of uncertainty, the Medium Term Financial Strategy still contains risk, particularly relating to future service pressures and cost increases beyond 2026/27. The Council will continue to identify opportunities within its control to manage these risks and support financial sustainability in future years.

15.0 Additional Implications Assessment

15.1 In the table below, please put Yes or No in each box:

Financial Implications Yes	Legal Implications No	Human Resources (HR) Implications No
Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) No	Carbon Impact Assessment (CIA) No	Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) No

15.2 Financial Implications

The proposed net operating budget of £16,908,718 will be financed by Revenue Support Grant, Adjustment support grant, retained Business Rates, Council Tax and a contribution from the Surplus Savings Reserve.

16.0 Appendices

Appendix 1 – Formal Council Tax Resolution

Appendix 2 - Budget 2026/27 and MTFS

Appendix 3 – Statement of Reserves

Appendix 4 – Capital Programme

Appendix 5 - Schedule of Fees and Charges

17.0 Background Documents

2025/26 Budget to Full Council – 25th February 2025

Yearend Finance report for 2023/24 to Finance and Assets Committee – 26th June 2025

MTFS up-date report to Finance and Assets Committee – 25th September 2025

The Finance and Assets Committee, at its meeting on 27 November 2025, agreed that the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme (LCTRS) would remain unchanged for 2026/27 and that a 100% premium would be applied to second homes with effect from 1 April 2026. These decisions remain unchanged and are reflected in the 2026/27 budget proposals.

Draft Budget Report to Finance and Assets Committee – 29th January 2026

Jude Antony

Director, Finance and Section 151 Officer

04th March 2026

Appendix 1

East Cambridgeshire District Council, hereinafter referred to as “the Council” in this resolution, RESOLVES for the financial year 2026/27 to:

1. Set the Council Tax Requirement for the Council at £8,589,693 calculated as follows:

	£
a) Net expenditure on Council services	4,746,481
b) City, Parish and Town Council precepts	<u>3,843,212</u>
c) Council Tax Requirement	<u><u>8,589,693</u></u>

2. Calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2026/27 (excluding Parish precepts) is £4,746,481.
3. Note that, arising from decisions taken by City, Parish and Town Councils by 10th February 2026, the amount of Special Expenses included in the budget requirement set out above is £3,843,212
4. Note that in accordance with regulations made under section 31(B) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended by Section 74 of the Localism Act 2011, the Council's Section 151 Officer has calculated the following amounts:
 - (a) 33,393.0 being the Council Tax Base (in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012.
 - (b) The sums shown in Schedule A column (2): being the amounts of Council Tax Base for dwellings in those parts of the area set out in column (1) of the schedule to which special expenses relate.
5. Note that Cambridgeshire County Council, the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (Amended 2003), have stated the following amounts of precepts issued to the Council.

Band	County Council £	Police Commissioner £	Fire Authority £	CPCA £
A	1,190.28	209.58	61.44	24.00
B	1,388.66	244.51	71.68	28.00
C	1,587.04	279.44	81.92	32.00
D	1,785.42	314.37	92.16	36.00
E	2,182.18	384.23	112.64	44.00
F	2,578.94	454.09	133.12	52.00
G	2,975.70	523.95	153.60	60.00
H	3,570.84	628.74	184.32	72.00

6. Set the following amounts in accordance with the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended by the Localism Act 2011 and The Local Government Finance Act 2012:

	Description	Amount £	Notes
a)	Gross Expenditure	42,452,065	
b)	Gross Income	33,862,372	
c)	Council Tax Requirement	<u>8,589,693</u>	
d)	Basic Amount of Council Tax	257.23	Item (c) divided by tax base
e)	Total of Special Items	3,843,212	Parish Precepts
f)	Basic amount of Council Tax for dwellings in parts of the area to which no special items relate	142.14	Item (c) - (e) divided by tax base
g)	Basic Amount of Council Tax for dwellings in parts of the area to which one or more special items relate	Sums in column (6) of Schedule A	Item (f) plus column 4 of Schedule A (excludes Fire, Police, County Council and the Combined Authority)
h)	Basic Amount of Council Tax as in (g) for each Council Tax band	Sums shown in Schedule B	(excludes Fire, Police, County Council and the Combined Authority)

7. *The Referendums Relating to Council Tax Increases (Principles) (England) Report 2026/27* sets out the principles, which the Secretary of State has determined will apply to local authorities in England for 2026/27. The Council is required to determine whether its basic amount of Council Tax is excessive in accordance with the principles approved under Section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended by section 5 of the Localism Act 2011.
8. This Council hereby determines that its relevant basic amount of Council Tax for 2026/27 is not excessive in accordance with the legislation set out in the preceding paragraph.
9. Set, as a result of items 5 and 6(h) above, the amounts of Council Tax shown in Schedule C, in accordance the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (Amended 2003), for each of the categories of dwellings shown in the schedule.

SCHEDULE A TO APPENDIX 1

EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL											
COUNCIL TAX FOR BAND D PROPERTIES 2026/27											
PARISH	COUNCIL	PRECEPT	BAND D COUNCIL TAX								
	TAX BASE		Parish	ECDC	Sub-Total	CCC	CFA	PCCforC	CPCA	Total	
	Band D Eq	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	
Ashley	247.1	21,900.00	88.65	142.14	230.79	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,458.74	
Bottisham	901.5	73,602.00	81.63	142.14	223.77	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,451.72	
Brinkley	155.3	11,556.00	74.43	142.14	216.57	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,444.52	
Burrough Green	145.5	14,759.50	101.43	142.14	243.57	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,471.52	
Burwell	2,475.4	290,000.00	117.18	142.14	259.32	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,487.27	
Cheveley	943.7	80,000.00	84.78	142.14	226.92	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,454.87	
Chippenham	228.0	16,338.00	71.64	142.14	213.78	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,441.73	
Coveney	190.5	20,900.00	109.71	142.14	251.85	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,479.80	
Dullingham	351.8	33,124.48	94.14	142.14	236.28	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,464.23	
Ely, City of	7,714.0	847,235.00	109.80	142.14	251.94	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,479.89	
Fordham	1,307.0	111,400.00	85.23	142.14	227.37	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,455.32	
Haddenham	1,355.4	173,137.00	127.71	142.14	269.85	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,497.80	
Isleham	988.7	135,526.00	137.07	142.14	279.21	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,507.16	
Kennett	160.7	12,750.00	79.38	142.14	221.52	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,449.47	
Kirtling and Upend	204.9	12,697.94	62.01	142.14	204.15	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,432.10	
Little Downham	985.0	123,813.00	125.73	142.14	267.87	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,495.82	
Little Thetford	289.4	35,037.92	121.05	142.14	263.19	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,491.14	
Littleport	3,322.9	594,854.00	179.01	142.14	321.15	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,549.10	
Lode	377.6	25,418.00	67.32	142.14	209.46	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,437.41	
Mepal	392.5	62,945.00	160.38	142.14	302.52	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,530.47	
Reach	146.5	18,050.00	123.21	142.14	265.35	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,493.30	
Snailwell	83.7	10,860.00	129.78	142.14	271.92	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,499.87	
Soham	3,993.2	486,570.00	121.86	142.14	264.00	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,491.95	
Stetchworth	283.3	21,082.00	74.43	142.14	216.57	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,444.52	
Stretham	739.5	99,393.38	134.37	142.14	276.51	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,504.46	
Sutton	1,425.7	200,000.00	140.31	142.14	282.45	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,510.40	
Swaffham Bulbeck	375.6	41,836.00	111.42	142.14	253.56	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,481.51	
Swaffham Prior	369.0	19,000.00	51.48	142.14	193.62	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,421.57	
Wentworth	68.8	13,000.00	188.91	142.14	331.05	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,559.00	
Westley Waterless	87.1	3,100.00	35.64	142.14	177.78	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,405.73	
Wicken	371.6	40,000.00	107.64	142.14	249.78	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,477.73	
Wilburton	540.1	64,918.00	120.24	142.14	262.38	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,490.33	
Witcham	195.0	19,500.00	99.99	142.14	242.13	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,470.08	
Witchford	1,187.8	100,159.00	84.33	142.14	226.47	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,454.42	
Wooditton	789.4	8,750.00	11.07	142.14	153.21	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,381.16	
Whole Area/Average Tax Charge	33,393.0	3,843,212.22	115.09	142.14	257.23	1,785.42	92.16	314.37	36.00	2,485.18	

SCHEDULE B TO APPENDIX 1

EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL								
DISTRICT AND PARISH COUNCIL TAX 2026/27								
(Note: excluding County, Fire, Police and Combined Authority)								
PARISH	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ashley	153.86	179.50	205.15	230.79	282.08	333.36	384.65	461.58
Bottisham	149.18	174.04	198.91	223.77	273.50	323.22	372.95	447.54
Brinkley	144.38	168.44	192.51	216.57	264.70	312.82	360.95	433.14
Burrough Green	162.38	189.44	216.51	243.57	297.70	351.82	405.95	487.14
Burwell	172.88	201.69	230.51	259.32	316.95	374.57	432.20	518.64
Cheveley	151.28	176.49	201.71	226.92	277.35	327.77	378.20	453.84
Chippenham	142.52	166.27	190.03	213.78	261.29	308.79	356.30	427.56
Coveney	167.90	195.88	223.87	251.85	307.82	363.78	419.75	503.70
Dullingham	157.52	183.77	210.03	236.28	288.79	341.29	393.80	472.56
Ely, City of	167.96	195.95	223.95	251.94	307.93	363.91	419.90	503.88
Fordham	151.58	176.84	202.11	227.37	277.90	328.42	378.95	454.74
Haddenham	179.90	209.88	239.87	269.85	329.82	389.78	449.75	539.70
Isleham	186.14	217.16	248.19	279.21	341.26	403.30	465.35	558.42
Kennett	147.68	172.29	196.91	221.52	270.75	319.97	369.20	443.04
Kirtling and Upend	136.10	158.78	181.47	204.15	249.52	294.88	340.25	408.30
Little Downham	178.58	208.34	238.11	267.87	327.40	386.92	446.45	535.74
Little Thetford	175.46	204.70	233.95	263.19	321.68	380.16	438.65	526.38
Littleport	214.10	249.78	285.47	321.15	392.52	463.88	535.25	642.30
Lode	139.64	162.91	186.19	209.46	256.01	302.55	349.10	418.92
Mepal	201.68	235.29	268.91	302.52	369.75	436.97	504.20	605.04
Reach	176.90	206.38	235.87	265.35	324.32	383.28	442.25	530.70
Snailwell	181.28	211.49	241.71	271.92	332.35	392.77	453.20	543.84
Soham	176.00	205.33	234.67	264.00	322.67	381.33	440.00	528.00
Stetchworth	144.38	168.44	192.51	216.57	264.70	312.82	360.95	433.14
Stretham	184.34	215.06	245.79	276.51	337.96	399.40	460.85	553.02
Sutton	188.30	219.68	251.07	282.45	345.22	407.98	470.75	564.90
Swaffham Bulbeck	169.04	197.21	225.39	253.56	309.91	366.25	422.60	507.12
Swaffham Prior	129.08	150.59	172.11	193.62	236.65	279.67	322.70	387.24
Wentworth	220.70	257.48	294.27	331.05	404.62	478.18	551.75	662.10
Westley Waterless	118.52	138.27	158.03	177.78	217.29	256.79	296.30	355.56
Wicken	166.52	194.27	222.03	249.78	305.29	360.79	416.30	499.56
Wilburton	174.92	204.07	233.23	262.38	320.69	378.99	437.30	524.76
Witcham	161.42	188.32	215.23	242.13	295.94	349.74	403.55	484.26
Witchford	150.98	176.14	201.31	226.47	276.80	327.12	377.45	452.94
Woodditon	102.14	119.16	136.19	153.21	187.26	221.30	255.35	306.42
Average Tax Charge	171.49	200.07	228.65	257.23	314.39	371.55	428.72	514.46
Proportion to Band D (Ninths)	6	7	8	9	11	13	15	18

SCHEDULE C TO APPENDIX 1

EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL								
TOTAL COUNCIL TAX 2026/27								
PARISH	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ashley	1,639.16	1,912.35	2,185.55	2,458.74	3,005.13	3,551.51	4,097.90	4,917.48
Bottisham	1,634.48	1,906.89	2,179.31	2,451.72	2,996.55	3,541.37	4,086.20	4,903.44
Brinkley	1,629.68	1,901.29	2,172.91	2,444.52	2,987.75	3,530.97	4,074.20	4,889.04
Burrough Green	1,647.68	1,922.29	2,196.91	2,471.52	3,020.75	3,569.97	4,119.20	4,943.04
Burwell	1,658.18	1,934.54	2,210.91	2,487.27	3,040.00	3,592.72	4,145.45	4,974.54
Cheveley	1,636.58	1,909.34	2,182.11	2,454.87	3,000.40	3,545.92	4,091.45	4,909.74
Chippenham	1,627.82	1,899.12	2,170.43	2,441.73	2,984.34	3,526.94	4,069.55	4,883.46
Coveney	1,653.20	1,928.73	2,204.27	2,479.80	3,030.87	3,581.93	4,133.00	4,959.60
Dullingham	1,642.82	1,916.62	2,190.43	2,464.23	3,011.84	3,559.44	4,107.05	4,928.46
Ely, City of	1,653.26	1,928.80	2,204.35	2,479.89	3,030.98	3,582.06	4,133.15	4,959.78
Fordham	1,636.88	1,909.69	2,182.51	2,455.32	3,000.95	3,546.57	4,092.20	4,910.64
Haddenham	1,665.20	1,942.73	2,220.27	2,497.80	3,052.87	3,607.93	4,163.00	4,995.60
Isleham	1,671.44	1,950.01	2,228.59	2,507.16	3,064.31	3,621.45	4,178.60	5,014.32
Kennett	1,632.98	1,905.14	2,177.31	2,449.47	2,993.80	3,538.12	4,082.45	4,898.94
Kirtling and Upend	1,621.40	1,891.63	2,161.87	2,432.10	2,972.57	3,513.03	4,053.50	4,864.20
Little Downham	1,663.88	1,941.19	2,218.51	2,495.82	3,050.45	3,605.07	4,159.70	4,991.64
Little Thetford	1,660.76	1,937.55	2,214.35	2,491.14	3,044.73	3,598.31	4,151.90	4,982.28
Littleport	1,699.40	1,982.63	2,265.87	2,549.10	3,115.57	3,682.03	4,248.50	5,098.20
Lode	1,624.94	1,895.76	2,166.59	2,437.41	2,979.06	3,520.70	4,062.35	4,874.82
Mepal	1,686.98	1,968.14	2,249.31	2,530.47	3,092.80	3,655.12	4,217.45	5,060.94
Reach	1,662.20	1,939.23	2,216.27	2,493.30	3,047.37	3,601.43	4,155.50	4,986.60
Snailwell	1,666.58	1,944.34	2,222.11	2,499.87	3,055.40	3,610.92	4,166.45	4,999.74
Soham	1,661.30	1,938.18	2,215.07	2,491.95	3,045.72	3,599.48	4,153.25	4,983.90
Stetchworth	1,629.68	1,901.29	2,172.91	2,444.52	2,987.75	3,530.97	4,074.20	4,889.04
Stretham	1,669.64	1,947.91	2,226.19	2,504.46	3,061.01	3,617.55	4,174.10	5,008.92
Sutton	1,673.60	1,952.53	2,231.47	2,510.40	3,068.27	3,626.13	4,184.00	5,020.80
Swaffham Bulbeck	1,654.34	1,930.06	2,205.79	2,481.51	3,032.96	3,584.40	4,135.85	4,963.02
Swaffham Prior	1,614.38	1,883.44	2,152.51	2,421.57	2,959.70	3,497.82	4,035.95	4,843.14
Wentworth	1,706.00	1,990.33	2,274.67	2,559.00	3,127.67	3,696.33	4,265.00	5,118.00
Westley Waterless	1,603.82	1,871.12	2,138.43	2,405.73	2,940.34	3,474.94	4,009.55	4,811.46
Wicken	1,651.82	1,927.12	2,202.43	2,477.73	3,028.34	3,578.94	4,129.55	4,955.46
Wilburton	1,660.22	1,936.92	2,213.63	2,490.33	3,043.74	3,597.14	4,150.55	4,980.66
Witcham	1,646.72	1,921.17	2,195.63	2,470.08	3,018.99	3,567.89	4,116.80	4,940.16
Witchford	1,636.28	1,908.99	2,181.71	2,454.42	2,999.85	3,545.27	4,090.70	4,908.84
Wooditton	1,587.44	1,852.01	2,116.59	2,381.16	2,910.31	3,439.45	3,968.60	4,762.32
Average Tax Charge	1,656.79	1,932.92	2,209.05	2,485.18	3,037.44	3,589.70	4,141.97	4,970.36
Proportion to Band D (Ninths)	6	7	8	9	11	13	15	18

BUDGET 2026-27

	Budget 2025-26 £	Budget 2026-27 £	Estimate 2027-28 £	Estimate 2028-29 £	Estimate 2029-30 £
Committees:					
Operational Services	6,842,567	8,368,382	8,437,242	8,505,138	8,775,744
Finance & Assets	7,969,054	8,284,422	8,492,145	8,792,753	9,002,267
Net District Spending	14,811,621	16,652,804	16,929,387	17,297,891	17,778,011
New Homes Bonus Grant	-828,863	0	0	0	0
Dampening Grants (Transitional Protection)	0	-3,949	-713,309	-1,451,052	0
Adjustment Support Grant	-523,990	-564,608	0	0	0
Internal Drainage Board Levies	801,368	824,471	842,560	861,011	879,831
Net Operating Expenditure	14,260,136	16,908,718	17,058,638	16,707,850	18,657,842
Contribution to Corporate Reserve	40,162	264,858	14,992	-35,079	194,999
Contribution from Surplus Savings Reserve	-1,812,895	-3,211,396	-4,162,254	-2,313,861	0
Savings to be identified	0	0	0	-2,280,799	-6,367,417
ECDC Budget Requirement	12,487,403	13,962,179	12,911,376	12,078,111	12,485,424
Parish Council Precepts	3,596,232	3,843,212	3,958,509	4,077,264	4,199,582
DISTRICT BUDGET REQUIREMENT	16,083,635	17,805,392	16,869,885	16,155,375	16,685,006
<u>Financed by:</u>					
share of	-492,272	-254,337	0	0	0
Revenue Support Grant	-125,690	-4,566,956	-3,508,806	-2,415,112	-2,472,088
Locally retained Non-Domestic Rates	-5,393,410	-2,110,633	-2,159,047	-2,202,603	-2,351,385
NNDR from Renewables / Enterprise Zone	-1,773,841	-2,283,772	-2,283,772	-2,283,772	-2,283,772
COUNCIL TAX REQUIREMENT	8,298,422	8,589,693	8,918,260	9,253,888	9,577,761

	Estimate 2025-26 £	Estimate 2026-27 £	Estimate 2027-28 £	Estimate 2028-29 £	Estimate 2029-30 £
Unallocated Surplus Savings Reserve					
In hand at 1st April	10,229,244	9,687,511	6,476,115	2,313,861	0
Movement in year	-541,733	-3,211,396	-4,162,254	-2,313,861	0
In hand at 31st March	9,687,511	6,476,115	2,313,861	0	0

IMPLIED BAND 'D' COUNCIL TAX (District only i.e. excluding parish levies)					
Demand on Collection Fund as above	8,298,422	8,589,693	8,918,260	9,253,888	9,577,761
Less Parish Precepts as above	3,596,232	3,843,212	3,958,509	4,077,264	4,199,582
	4,702,190	4,746,481	4,959,751	5,176,624	5,378,179
Council Tax Base	33,081.4	33,393.0	33,707.7	34,025.4	34,225.4
District Council Tax - Band D	142.14	142.14	147.14	152.14	157.14

Description	Budget 2025/26	Budget 2026/27	Estimate 2027/28	Estimate 2028/29	Estimate 2029/30
Operational Services					
Building Regulations	36,436	45,677	46,127	46,586	47,054
Care and Repair	-98,842	-25,836	-26,059	-26,311	-26,593
Community Projects & Grants	206,095	212,295	214,420	216,588	218,799
Community Safety	64,358	73,219	81,587	82,738	83,912
Cons. Area & Listed Buildings	74,808	77,144	78,420	79,722	81,050
Crematorium	0	242,649	-30,371	-264,791	-299,935
Customer Services	665,279	649,638	662,858	676,343	690,097
Dog Warden Scheme	50,553	50,674	51,643	52,632	53,641
Emergency Planning	32,148	34,578	34,954	35,338	35,730
Environmental	52,087	53,377	54,357	55,357	56,377
Environmental Health	620,980	708,373	721,889	735,675	749,737
Homelessness	326,611	383,692	388,324	393,049	397,869
Leisure Centre	-502,043	-548,183	-548,183	-548,183	-548,183
Licencing - Env Services	26,040	-102,213	-91,897	-81,375	-70,643
Marketing & Grants	34,266	33,766	34,290	34,825	35,370
Nuisances	115,533	119,898	122,198	124,544	126,937
Parish Forums	1,561	1,561	1,561	1,561	1,561
Planning	395,659	419,557	426,522	433,940	441,506
Public Relations	124,682	130,557	133,101	135,696	138,342
Recycling	1,649,812	3,048,931	3,267,033	3,450,667	3,635,390
Refuse Collection	1,850,473	1,438,796	1,467,572	1,496,923	1,526,861
Street Cleansing	1,082,792	1,284,471	1,310,160	1,336,363	1,363,090
Street Naming & Numbering	33,279	36,067	36,568	37,080	37,601
Travellers Sites	0	0	168	171	174
	6,842,567	8,368,382	8,437,242	8,505,138	8,775,744
Finance & Assets					
Asset Management	153,442	153,442	153,442	153,442	153,442
Award Ditches	11,468	11,697	11,931	12,170	12,413
Civic Relations	18,721	19,212	19,507	19,807	20,113
Climate Change	100,000	232,687	235,340	238,046	240,807
Closed Churchyards	37,777	38,533	39,304	40,090	40,892
Community Transport	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Corp. Man. Policy Research / Review	245,497	251,354	257,334	263,458	269,730
Council Tax Collection Costs	614,713	625,991	644,561	657,329	670,353
Data Management	175,648	138,122	140,061	142,038	144,055
Depot	-76,499	-76,530	-78,081	-79,663	-81,277
Economic Development	32,486	-68,922	-64,461	-59,909	-55,266
Enterprise Zone Business Rates	610,816	500,816	755,731	755,731	755,731
Finance	359,950	396,762	404,558	412,510	420,621
General Gang	99,947	60,838	61,715	62,609	63,521
Health & Safety (Work)	28,784	29,900	29,900	29,900	29,900
Housing Benefits	518,819	508,800	532,371	545,467	558,825
Housing Strategy	207,243	193,762	200,387	207,145	214,038
Human Resources (including training)	287,498	300,371	304,708	309,132	313,644
Information Technology	1,136,674	1,310,335	1,391,189	1,392,959	1,379,391
Interest & Financial Transactions	-994,055	-530,353	-430,154	-233,637	-230,201
Internal Audit	88,568	89,548	91,771	94,050	96,386
Land Charges Admin	-29,917	-24,758	-26,188	-27,647	-29,135
Legal Services	189,832	177,887	180,915	184,004	187,154
Local Elections	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Local Plans	229,069	318,652	323,609	328,065	333,222
Management Team	725,349	828,759	845,235	862,041	879,183
Markets	0	0	0	0	0
Member & Committee Support	711,686	729,619	755,397	757,720	772,330
Misc. Financial Services	556,098	44,478	-344,114	-375,373	-304,860
Miscellaneous Properties	-53,487	-54,229	-58,486	-59,258	-60,046
NNDR Collection Costs	61,973	59,525	64,347	67,663	71,045
Out Of Hours Service	14,000	14,000	14,280	14,566	14,857
Parking of Vehicles	47,544	4,850	8,109	11,435	14,826
Parks and Open Spaces	509,711	539,859	554,228	568,886	583,836
Payroll	133,939	125,102	127,465	129,875	132,334
Public Conveniences	213,197	222,249	209,381	212,488	215,654
Registration of Electors	50,644	50,644	50,644	50,644	50,644
Reprographics	159,263	230,890	241,327	244,937	248,619
Office Accommodation	618,884	657,707	670,395	683,338	696,538
Sport & Recreation Admin	133,772	132,823	134,487	136,695	138,948
	7,969,054	8,284,422	8,492,145	8,792,753	9,002,267
Total	14,811,621	16,652,804	16,929,387	17,297,891	17,778,011

Reserve Accounts

Appendix 3

Description	2025/26				2026/27			
	Opening Balance 1	Transfers to	Contributions	Forecast	Opening Balance 1	Transfers to	Contributions	Forecast
	April	Reserve	from Reserve	Balance 31	April	Reserve	from Reserve	Balance 31
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
District Elections	50,397	25,000		75,397	75,397	25,000		100,397
Housing Conditions Survey	35,000	5,000		40,000	40,000	5,000		45,000
Change Management	0			0	0			0
Major Project Development	100,000			100,000	100,000			100,000
Surplus Savings Reserve	10,229,244	1,271,162	(1,812,895)	9,687,511	9,687,511		(3,211,396)	6,476,115
Vehicle Replacements	74,240			74,240	74,240			74,240
Sports Facilities Funding Reserve	58,000			58,000	58,000			58,000
IT	160,000	60,000	(73,345)	146,655	146,655	60,000	(196,138)	10,517
CIL Admin	206,621	70,000	(100,000)	176,621	176,621	70,000	(100,000)	146,621
Asset Management	96,441			96,441	96,441			96,441
Community Fund Reserves	18,207			18,207	18,207			18,207
Housing	69,926			69,926	69,926			69,926
Historic Homelessness Grant	742,431		(143,268)	599,163	599,163		(104,992)	494,171
Affordable Housing	97,526			97,526	97,526			97,526
General Fund Balance	1,385,852	40,162		1,426,014	1,426,014	264,858		1,690,872
Commercial Invest to Save	20,000			20,000	20,000			20,000
CLT Grant Applications	20,000			20,000	20,000			20,000
Travellers' Sites	0	35,722		35,722	35,722	35,722		71,444
Enterprise Zone NNDR	1,234,540	305,408	(83,249)	1,456,699	1,456,699	250,408	(185,718)	1,521,389
Growth and Infrastructure Fund	2,522,015			2,522,015	2,522,015			2,522,015
Exceptional Hardship Fund	6,939			6,939	6,939			6,939
Community Transport	125,281			125,281	125,281			125,281
Climate Change	88,229			88,229	88,229			88,229
Other								
CIL	12,947,370	400,000	(9,758,962)	3,588,408	3,588,408	400,000	(2,482,583)	1,505,825
Section 106 Agreements	4,722,039		(500,000)	4,222,039	4,222,039		(500,000)	3,722,039
Internal Borrowing	(10,197,185)	(5,454,653)	3,190,300	(12,461,538)	(12,461,538)	(3,580,000)	2,816,384	(13,225,154)
Total Reserves	24,813,113	(3,242,199)	(9,281,419)	12,289,495	12,289,495	(2,469,012)	(3,964,443)	5,856,039

Total Reserves	17,340,889	1,812,454	(2,212,757)	16,940,586	13,853,329
General Fund	1,385,852	40,162	0	1,426,014	1,690,872
Earmarked Reserves	15,955,037	1,772,292	(2,212,757)	15,514,572	12,162,457

Reserve Accounts

Description	2027/28				2028/29			
	Opening Balance 1	Transfers to Reserve	Contributions from Reserve	Forecast Balance 31	Opening Balance 1	Transfers to Reserve	Contributions from Reserve	Forecast Balance 31
	April			March	April			March
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
District Elections	100,397	25,000		125,397	125,397		(125,397)	0
Housing Conditions Survey	45,000	5,000		50,000	50,000	5,000		55,000
Change Management	0			0	0			0
Major Project Development	100,000			100,000	100,000			100,000
Surplus Savings Reserve	6,476,115		(4,162,254)	2,313,861	2,313,861		(2,313,861)	0
Vehicle Replacements	74,240			74,240	74,240			74,240
Sports Facilities Funding Reserve	58,000			58,000	58,000			58,000
IT	10,517	60,000	(70,517)	0	0	60,000	(60,000)	0
CIL Admin	146,621	70,000	(100,000)	116,621	116,621	70,000	(100,000)	86,621
Asset Management	96,441			96,441	96,441			96,441
Community Fund Reserves	18,207			18,207	18,207			18,207
Housing	69,926			69,926	69,926			69,926
Historic Homelessness Grant	494,171		(67,859)	426,312	426,312		(56,288)	370,024
Affordable Housing	97,526			97,526	97,526			97,526
General Fund Balance	1,690,872		14,992	1,705,864	1,705,864		(35,079)	1,670,785
Commercial Invest to Save	20,000			20,000	20,000			20,000
CLT Grant Applications	20,000			20,000	20,000			20,000
Travellers' Sites	71,444	34,529		105,973	105,973	33,851		139,824
Enterprise Zone NNDR	1,521,389	377,866	(188,881)	1,710,374	1,710,374	377,866	(192,107)	1,896,132
Growth and Infrastructure Fund	2,522,015			2,522,015	2,522,015			2,522,015
Exceptional Hardship Fund	6,939			6,939	6,939			6,939
Community Transport	125,281			125,281	125,281			125,281
Climate Change	88,229			88,229	88,229			88,229
Other								
CIL	1,505,825	400,000		1,905,825	1,905,825	400,000		2,305,825
Section 106 Agreements	3,722,039		(500,000)	3,222,039	3,222,039		(500,000)	2,722,039
Internal Borrowing	(13,225,154)		7,019,399	(6,205,755)	(6,205,755)	0	768,233	(5,437,522)
Total Reserves	5,856,039	972,395	1,944,880	8,773,314	8,773,314	946,717	(2,614,499)	7,105,531

Total Reserves	9,851,205	7,515,190
General Fund	1,705,864	1,670,785
Earmarked Reserves	8,145,341	5,844,405

Capital Programme 2025/26 to 2029/30

CAPITAL BUDGET	Projected Spend 2025/26 £	Budget 2026/27 £	Proposed Budget 2027/28 £	Proposed Budget 2028/29 £	Proposed Budget 2029/30 £
Operational Services					
Refuse Vehicles	2,587,620	80,000	360,000		
Waste Bins	1,040,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Food Waste Caddies	280,256				
Conservation Area Schemes - 2nd round	27,506				
Mandatory Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG)	1,217,804	697,299	697,299	697,299	697,299
Empty Properties, Discretionary DFGs, Minor Works, Home Repair Asst.	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Vehicle Etc. Replacements	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Bereavement Centre	9,758,962	2,482,583	150,413		
Operational Services Total	15,087,148	3,474,882	1,422,712	912,299	912,299
Finance and Assets					
Depot	280,833	0			
Solar Panels on Council Buildings	100,100	0			
Loan Agreement with ECTC	2,700,000	4,000,000			
Finance and Assets Total	3,080,933	4,000,000	0	0	0
Capital Programme Total	18,168,081	7,474,882	1,422,712	912,299	912,299

Refuse Vehicles

The Council purchases and then hires to East Cambs Street Scene refuse vehicles to be used to undertake the refuse contract for the Council. With the Government's long term Waste Strategy being implemented in 2026, the Council is being required to purchase a significant number of new vehicles in 2025/26 to ensure that it is ready to meet the additional demands put upon it by the Strategy.

Waste Bins

The on-going £40,000 budget is to ensure that as the number of residential homes in the District increases, the Council has new wheeled bins available to deliver to these properties.

Conservation Area Schemes

This scheme is for the Steeple Row enhancement, led by Ely Perspective for public realm improvements in the Steeple Row area. The remaining balance is required to provide partnership funding towards a larger Heritage Lottery Scheme currently being worked on by Ely Cathedral for enhancements to the entire cathedral precinct.

Mandatory Disabled Facilities Grants

These grants are provided to enable disabled people, including children, to remain in their own home. Due to an ageing population, the demand for this type of grant is likely to increase and capital funding will need to continue to enable the Council to meet this statutory function. The majority is funded from Government grant from the Better Care Fund.

Empty Properties, Discretionary DFGs, Minor Works & Home Repair Asst.

Grant provided to owner occupiers on an income related benefit to carry out essential repairs and energy efficiency work to their homes, to ensure that they meet the decent homes standard. This grant takes two forms, one, a small non-repayable grant and the other, where more extensive works are needed, a repayable loan.

Vehicle Replacements

Vehicle replacement mostly for the Parks and Gardens Team. This is funded from Section 106 contributions.

Bereavement Centre

To develop a District Bereavement Centre at the Council-owned Mepal site on Ireton's Way, comprising a crematorium, a modular function room, and associated natural burial and pet cemetery facilities. The latest projections incorporate the revised cost estimates.

Depot

The depot, including the drainage on the site is being improved to provide staff with a safe environment.

Solar Panels on Council Buildings

Installation of solar panelling on a number of Council buildings including E-Space North in Littleport, the Hive and potentially the Grange

Loan to East Cambs CLT

Loan to East Cambs CLT, to provide the funding (alongside Ecology Building Society) for the CLT to purchase fifteen properties on the former Ministry of Defence site in Ely, so these can be offered as affordable, shared ownership properties to local residents. The terms of the loan require it to be repaid in seven years time.

Loan Agreement with ECTC approved in April 2022

At its meeting on the 21st April 2022, the Council approved a new loan facility to ECTC up to a value of £7,500,000 in order to move forward with new projects at the Paradise Pool site and phase two and three at the former Ministry of Defence site. At the end of March 2026, it is expected that ECTC will have drawdown net £2.7 million of this facility. Current cashflows suggest that a further £4.0 million will be drawn down in 2026/27.

SOURCES OF FINANCING	Projected Spend 2025/26 £	Budget 2026/27 £	Proposed Budget 2027/28 £	Proposed Budget 2028/29 £	Proposed Budget 2029/30 £
Operational Services					
Revenue Contribution					
Government Grants (Disability Facilities Grant)	1,123,183	602,678	602,678	602,678	602,678
Government Grants (Food Waste)	894,056				
Capital Reserves	237,127	209,621	209,621	209,621	209,621
Section 106 / CIL	10,358,962	3,082,583	750,413	600,000	600,000
Borrowing	2,473,820	(420,000)	(140,000)	(500,000)	(500,000)
Operational Services Total	15,087,148	3,474,882	1,422,712	912,299	912,299
Finance and Assets					
Capital Reserves	100,100				
Borrowing	2,980,833	4,000,000			
Finance and Assets Total	3,080,933	4,000,000	0	0	0
Capital Funding Total	18,168,081	7,474,882	1,422,712	912,299	912,299

Capital Reserves Forecast	2025/26 £	2026/27 £	2027/28 £	2028/29 £	2029/30 £
Balance Brought Forward	1,758,648	1,471,421	1,311,800	1,152,179	992,558
Add receipts from Sales of Assets	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Less Capital Receipts Applied	(337,227)	(209,621)	(209,621)	(209,621)	(209,621)
Capital Reserves Carried Forward	1,471,421	1,311,800	1,152,179	992,558	832,937

Borrowing Forecast	2025/26 £	2026/27 £	2027/28 £	2028/29 £	2029/30 £
Balance Brought Forward	10,197,185	12,461,538	13,225,154	6,205,755	5,437,522
Add Borrowing in Year	5,454,653	3,580,000	(140,000)	(500,000)	(500,000)
Repayment from ECTC	(2,605,000)	(1,875,653)	(6,468,236)	0	0
Less Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP)	(585,300)	(940,731)	(411,163)	(268,233)	(109,233)
Total Borrowing Carried Forward	12,461,538	13,225,154	6,205,755	5,437,522	4,828,289
Internal Borrowing	12,461,538	13,225,154	6,205,755	5,437,522	4,828,289
External Borrowing	0	0	0	0	0

EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

FEES AND CHARGES SCHEDULE 2026/27

Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
<u>COMMUNITY SERVICES</u>				
BUSINESS PARKING PERMIT SCHEME				
First permit	SR	Discretionary	£50.00	£50.00
Second permit	SR	Discretionary	£55.00	£55.00
Third permit	SR	Discretionary	£60.00	£60.00
Fourth permit	SR	Discretionary	£70.00	£70.00
Market Traders	SR	Discretionary	£20.00	£20.00
CAR PARKING – ANGEL DROVE, ELY				
Cost per day	SR	Discretionary	£4.00	£4.00
Season Ticket – Weekly (6 days)	SR	Discretionary	£16.00	£16.00
Season Ticket – Quarterly	SR	Discretionary	£193.00	£193.00
Season Ticket – Annual	SR	Discretionary	£675.00	£675.00
CAR PARKING – THE DOCK, ELY				
Cost per day	SR	Discretionary	£4.00	£4.00
Season Ticket – Weekly (6 days)	SR	Discretionary	£16.00	£16.00
Season Ticket – Quarterly	SR	Discretionary	£193.00	£193.00
Season Ticket – Annual	SR	Discretionary	£675.00	£675.00
CAR PARKING – LITTLEPORT STATION				
<u>On-peak</u>				
Daily	SR	Discretionary	£1.80	£1.80
Weekly	SR	Discretionary	£5.70	£5.70
Quarterly	SR	Discretionary	£57.00	£57.00
Annual	SR	Discretionary	£205.00	£205.00
<u>Off-peak</u>				
Daily	SR	Discretionary	£0.50	£0.50
FIXED PENALTY PARKING FINES				
Excess Charge if paid within 14 days	OS	Discretionary	£50.00	£50.00
Excess Charge if paid after 14 days	OS	Discretionary	£60.00	£60.00
ELY RIVERSIDE				
Mooring Overstay Charge Notice - First 48 hours are free, with a charge applying after this period	SR	Discretionary	£100.00 (reduced to £70 if paid within 14 days)	£100.00 (reduced to £70 if paid within 14 days)
<u>PLANNING</u>				
PROPOSED FEE LEVELS FOR PRE-APPLICATION (AND RELATED) ADVICE				
Is listed building consent required? (Informal advice)	SR	Discretionary	£105.00	£107.65
Is a building or structure considered to be curtilage listed? (Informal advice)	SR	Discretionary	£105.00	£107.65
CONDITIONS AND S106 CLAUSES				
Has a planning condition or S.106 legal agreement clause been complied with?	SR	Discretionary	£524.00	£537.10
BASIC HOUSEHOLDER ADVICE – WRITTEN ONLY				

EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**FEES AND CHARGES SCHEDULE 2026/27**

Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Basic Householder advice (does not include advice relating to development proposals for listed buildings) Examples – Small scale single extensions Other extensions which are not tantamount to a redesigned dwelling house Outbuildings Minor external works (not listed/CA).	SR	Discretionary	£157.00	£160.95
DETAILED HOUSEHOLDER ADVICE In depth householder advice (including advice relating to development proposals for listed buildings). This service includes (where required) a site visit or meeting within the hours paid for. Each subsequent hour of officer time above the stated limit (to be agreed in advance) including specialist officers time. Any subsequent response to further amendments Any subsequent meeting or site visit	SR SR SR SR	Discretionary Discretionary Discretionary Discretionary	£314.00 £57.00 £105.00 £79.00	£321.85 £58.45 £107.65 £81.00
MINOR DEVELOPMENT 1 dwelling (including replacement dwellings and holiday let/tourist accommodation) Provision of up to 1000 square metres of floor space for other uses e.g. equestrian/retail/commercial/industrial/ mixed development Additional hour(s) of officer time (including specialist officers) to be agreed and paid in advance Any subsequent response to further amendments Any subsequent meeting / Site visit	SR SR SR SR	Discretionary Discretionary Discretionary Discretionary	£419.00 £57.00 £105.00 £105.00	£429.50 £58.45 £107.65 £107.65
MINOR DEVELOPMENTS 2 - 9 (inclusive) dwellings (including replacement dwellings and holiday let/tourist accommodation)	SR	Discretionary	£786 (2-3 Dwellings)	£841.50 (2-3 Dwellings)
	SR	Discretionary	£1,048 (4-9 Dwellings)	£1,074.20 (4-9 Dwellings)
Development of less than 0.5 hectares for residential use (if number of dwellings/units is not known)	SR	Discretionary	£524.00	£537.10
Development of land for other uses e.g. equestrian/retail/agricultural/mixed development use with a site area of up to 1 hectare	SR	Discretionary	£524.00	£537.10
Change of use of land or buildings	SR	Discretionary	£524.00	£537.10
Additional hour (s) of officer and specialist time (to be agreed and paid in advance)	SR	Discretionary	£63.00	£64.60
Any subsequent response to further amendments	SR	Discretionary	£157.00	£160.95
Any subsequent meeting	SR	Discretionary	£157.00	£160.95

EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**FEES AND CHARGES SCHEDULE 2026/27**

Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS				
10 – 40 (inclusive) residential units	SR	Discretionary	£2,096.00	£2,148.40
41-99 (inclusive) residential units	SR	Discretionary	£4,192.00	£4,296.80
Residential development (where the proposed number of units is not specified), with a site area of 0.5 hectares or more and less than four hectares	SR	Discretionary	£2,096.00	£2,148.40
Provision of 1,000 - 9,999 square metres of floor space for other uses e.g. equestrian/ retail/ commercial/industrial/ mixed development	SR	Discretionary	£2,096.00	£2,148.40
An hour of additional officer (including specialist) time (to be agreed and paid in advance)	SR	Discretionary	£79.00	£81.00
Any subsequent response to further amendments	SR	Discretionary	£262.00	£268.55
Any subsequent meeting	SR	Discretionary	£524.00	£537.10
STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENTS				
100 or more residential units	SR	Discretionary	£7,336.00	£7,519.40
Residential development (where the proposed number of units is not specified) with a site area of four hectares or more	SR	Discretionary	£4,192.00	£4,292.80
Provision of 10,000 square metres or more of floor space for other uses e.g. equestrian/retail commercial/ industrial/ mixed development	SR	Discretionary	£4,192.00	£4,292.80
Development of land for other uses e.g. equestrian /retail /commercial / industrial / mixed development with a site area of two hectares or more	SR	Discretionary	£4,192.00	£4,292.80
Any subsequent response to further amendments	SR	Discretionary	£524.00	£537.10
An hour of additional officer (including specialist) time (to be agreed and paid in advance)	SR	Discretionary	£105.00	£107.65
Any subsequent meeting	SR	Discretionary	£524.00	£537.10
OTHER DISCRETIONARY PLANNING RELATED FEES				
CIL/S106/BNG related Advice (where resource is available)	SR	Discretionary	£105 per hour Officer time	£111.75 per hour Officer time
General Planning or other related advice not covered above	SR	Discretionary	£105 per hour Officer time	£111.75 per hour Officer time
Admin charge for applications not submitted on the Planning Portal i.e postal or email.	SR	Discretionary	£73 per hour Officer time	£74.85 per hour Officer time
Charging for invalid applications (that have not been made valid within 28 days or as indicated/agreed by the Councils validation team). Householder, advertisements Certificates of Lawfulness and prior notifications			£52	£53.30
Charging for invalid applications (that have not been made valid within 28 days or as indicated/agreed by the Councils validation team). Minor Applications			£105	£107.65
Charging for invalid applications (that have not been made valid within 28 days or as indicated/agreed by the Councils validation team). Major Applications			£210	£215.25
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES				

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Registration and annual fee to be included on the register under the Self Build and Custom Housing Building Act 2015	OS	Discretionary	£25.15	£25.80
PLANNING APPLICATIONS				
See separate document for scale of fee for planning applications, determinations, certificates of lawful use or development and advertising consents				
Planning Portal Fees Legislation Link				
<u>BUILDING REGULATION CHARGES</u>				
TABLE 1 – Standard charges for new dwellings and flats up to 300m2 and not more than 3 storeys.				
TABLE 2 – Standard domestic charges including extensions and conversions to an existing dwelling				
TABLE 3 – Standard Charges for other work under £100,000 including				
For works over £100,000, please contact Building Control for an individual quote.				
If your building work is defined as requiring an individual determined charge, please contact us on 01353 665555, email us at bcservices@eastcambs.gov.uk				
Please note that Building Control fees consultation will be done after the consultation is doen and new guidance comes into effect from October 2026 . The figures in this table are stoll 2025/26 figures.				
(ALL FEES ARE INCLUSIVE OF VAT UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)				
TABLE 1 – NEW DWELLINGS/FLATS & DWELLINGS/FLATS FORMED BY CHANGE OF USE				
Full Plans Application/Plan Check Fee				
1 Dwelling	SR		£267.75	£267.75
2 Dwellings	SR		POA	POA
2+ Dwellings	SR		POA	POA
Full Plans Application Inspection Fee				
1 Dwelling	SR		£700.40	£700.40
2 Dwellings	SR		POA	POA
2+ Dwellings	SR		POA	POA
Building Notice Application (No VAT)				
1 Dwelling	OS		£1,029.95	£1,029.95
2 Dwellings	OS		POA	POA
2+ Dwellings	OS		POA	POA
Regularisation Application (No VAT)				
1 Dwelling	OS		£1,081.50	£1,081.50
2 Dwellings	OS		POA	POA
2+ Dwellings	OS		POA	POA
Electrical Check & Testing				

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1 Dwelling	SR		POA	POA
2 Dwellings	SR		POA	POA
2+ Dwellings	SR		POA	POA
TABLE 2 – DOMESTIC EXTENSIONS AND CONVERSIONS				
Extension or annex with floor area not exceeding 10m²				
Full Plans Application Plan Check Fee	SR		£206.00	£206.00
Full Plans Application Inspection Fee's	SR		£411.95	£411.95
Building Notice Application	SR		£659.20	£659.20
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£714.10	£714.10
Extension or annex with floor area not exceeding 10m² Extension or annex with floor area exceeding 10m² but not exceeding 40m²				
Full Plans Application Plan Check Fee	SR		£206.00	£206.00
Full Plans Application Inspection Fee's	SR		£494.40	£494.40
Building Notice Application	SR		£803.40	£803.40
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£870.30	£870.30
Extension or annex with floor area exceeding 40m² but not exceeding 100m²				
Full Plans Application Plan Check Fee	SR		£247.15	£247.15
Full Plans Application Inspection Fee's	SR		£657.10	£657.10
Building Notice Application	SR		£988.80	£988.80
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£1,071.15	£1,071.15
A building or extension comprising solely of a garage, carport or store the total floor area not exceeding 60m²				
Full Plans Application Plan Check Fee	SR		£206.00	£206.00
Full Plans Application Inspection Fee's	SR		£329.60	£329.60
Building Notice Application	SR		£597.35	£597.35
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£624.85	£624.85
First or second floor loft conversions with a floor area not exceeding 100m²				
Full Plans Application Plan Check Fee	SR		£226.60	£226.60
Full Plans Application Inspection Fee's	SR		£411.95	£411.95
Building Notice Application	SR		£772.65	£772.65
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£825.70	£825.70
Garage conversion up to 60m²				
Full Plans Application Plan Check Fee	SR		£144.20	£144.20
Full Plans Application Inspection Fee's	SR		£329.60	£329.60
Building Notice Application	SR		£494.40	£494.40
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£519.15	£519.15
Electrical Check & Testing			POA	POA
The charges in Table 2 apply to extensions, garages and conversions only. Where it is intended to carry out other alterations at the same time as the extension, the charges outlined in Table 3 will also apply.				
TABLE 3 – DOMESTIC ALTERATIONS				
Renovation of a thermal element				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee	SR		£164.80	£164.80
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application	SR		£0.00	£0.00

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Building Notice Application	SR		£164.80	£164.80
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£178.55	£178.55
Replacement of windows, roof lights, roof windows or external glazed doors				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee	SR		£144.20	£144.20
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application	SR		£0.00	£0.00
Building Notice Application	SR		£144.20	£144.20
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£156.20	£156.20
Replacement Boiler/New wood burner				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee	SR		£164.80	£164.80
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application	SR		£0.00	£0.00
Building Notice Application	SR		£164.80	£164.80
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£178.55	£178.55
Renewable Energy systems/installation of wood burner				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee	SR		£164.80	£164.80
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application	SR		£0.00	£0.00
Building Notice Application	SR		£164.80	£164.80
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£178.55	£178.55
Alterations with a cost up to £5,000				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee	SR		£309.00	£309.00
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application	SR		£0.00	£0.00
Building Notice Application	SR		£309.00	£309.00
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£334.75	£334.75
Alterations exceeding £5,000 but not exceeding £10,000				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee			£206.00	£206.00
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application			£247.15	£247.15
Building Notice Application			£453.20	£453.20
Regularisation Application No VAT			£490.95	£490.95
Alterations exceeding £10,000 but not exceeding £20,000				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee	SR		£206.00	£206.00
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application	SR		£329.60	£329.60
Building Notice Application	SR		£576.75	£576.75
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£624.85	£624.85
Alterations exceeding £20,000 but not exceeding £50,000				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee	SR		£206.00	£206.00
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application	SR		£453.20	£453.20
Building Notice Application	SR		£741.55	£741.55
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£803.40	£803.40
Alterations exceeding £50,000 but not exceeding £100,000				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee	SR		£247.15	£247.15
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application	SR		£576.75	£576.75
Building Notice Application	SR		£906.35	£906.35
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£925.30	£925.30
Electrical work up to a value of £10,000				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee	SR		£288.40	£288.40
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application	SR		£0.00	£0.00
Building Notice Application	SR		£288.40	£288.40

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£312.40	£312.40
Drainage works with a cost up to £5,000				
Full Plans Application Plan Check fee	SR		£164.80	£164.80
Plan Check fee Full Plans Application	SR		£0.00	£0.00
Building Notice Application	SR		£164.80	£164.80
Regularisation Application No VAT	OS		£178.55	£178.55
Electrical Check & Testing			POA	POA
STREET NAMING & NUMBERING				
Property name additions/amendments/removals	OS	Discretionary	£62.15	£63.70
Naming of new streets	OS	Discretionary	£185.30	£189.95
Numbering of new properties				
1 property	OS	Discretionary	£62.15	£63.70
2 – 5 properties	OS	Discretionary	£93.75	£96.10
6 – 10 properties	OS	Discretionary	£123.15	£125.25
11 – 25 properties	OS	Discretionary	£185.30	£189.95
26 – 50 properties	OS	Discretionary	£309.55	£317.30
51 – 100 properties	OS	Discretionary	£495.90	£508.30
101 + properties	OS	Discretionary	£618.00	£633.45
			Plus £12.25 per property over 102	Plus £12.55 per property over 102
Division of properties – same as numbering of new properties (and based on number of properties created including the original)	OS	Discretionary	See numbering of new properties	See numbering of new properties
Confirmation of address to solicitors / conveyancers / occupiers or owners	OS	Discretionary	£30.50	£31.25
Renumbering of scheme following development replan (after notification of numbering scheme issued)	OS	Discretionary	£118.80 + £12.20 per property	£121.65 + £12.50 per property
Address issued/confirmed when replacement property built (as the original address will have been removed following the demolition as address may be different to original property) reactivation of address	OS	Discretionary	£60.45 per property	£61.90 per property
1 st set of nameplates erected for each new street if one nameplate required	OS	Discretionary	£277.95	£284.90
1 st set of nameplates erected for each new street if two nameplates required	OS	Discretionary	£402.15	£412.20
For each additional nameplate that is required to be erected at other junctions and entrances onto the new street	OS	Discretionary	£123.15	£126.25
Challenges/requests/revisions to existing street naming and numbering schemes	OS	Discretionary		
E-SPACE BUSINESS CENTRES				
Ely – Annual rental charge per square foot (effective for new leases and on renewals)	SR	Discretionary	£37.20	£38.15
Littleport – Annual rental charge per square foot (effective on new leases and on renewals)	SR	Discretionary	£23.60	£24.20

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
PHOTOCOPYING CHARGES				
Up to 10 A4 pages	SR	Discretionary	No charge	No charge
11 A4 pages and over	SR	Discretionary	£1.40 plus 10p per copy	£1.45 plus 10p per copy
A3 copies (2xA4)	SR	Discretionary	As above plus 20p per copy	As above plus 20p per copy
A2 copies (4xA4)	SR	Discretionary	As above plus 40p per copy	As above plus 40p per copy
A1 copies (8xA4)	SR	Discretionary	As above plus 80p per copy	As above plus 80p per copy
Copy of Building Control Completion Certificate			£12.35	£12.65
<u>ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES</u>				
Safer Food Better Business Mentoring Scheme	SR	Discretionary	N/A	N/A
Safer Food Better Business Packs				
Collected		Discretionary	£18.00	£18.00
Posted		Discretionary	£20.00	£20.00
Safer Food Better Business Packs Diary refill				
Collected		Discretionary	£9.00	£9.00
Posted		Discretionary	£11.00	£11.00
Re-rating inspection fee for food business	OS	Discretionary	£170.00	£174.00
<u>LICENCING</u>				
Please note that Licencing fees for 2025-26 were approved by Licencing Committee on November 19th and formally adopted following a period of compulsory consultation on 25th December 2025				
GAMBLING ACT 2005				
Casino Premises Licence - Regional				
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of provisional statement premises	OS	Statutory	£8,000.00	£8,000.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of other premises	OS	Statutory	£15,000.00	£15,000.00
Annual fee	OS	Statutory	£15,000.00	£15,000.00
Fee for application to vary licence	OS	Statutory	£7,500.00	£7,500.00
Fee for application to transfer licence	OS	Statutory	£6,500.00	£6,500.00
Fee for application for reinstatement of a licence	OS	Statutory	£6,500.00	£6,500.00
Fee for application for provisional statement	OS	Statutory	£15,000.00	£15,000.00
Casino Premises Licence - Large				
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of provisional statement premises	OS	Statutory	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of other premises	OS	Statutory	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Annual fee	OS	Statutory	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Fee for application to vary licence	OS	Statutory	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
Fee for application to transfer licence	OS	Statutory	£2,150.00	£2,150.00
Fee for application for reinstatement of a licence	OS	Statutory	£2,150.00	£2,150.00

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Fee for application for provisional statement	OS	Statutory	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Casino Premises Licence - Small				
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of provisional statement premises	OS	Statutory	£3,000.00	£3,000.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of other premises	OS	Statutory	£8,000.00	£8,000.00
Annual fee	OS	Statutory	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
Fee for application to vary licence	OS	Statutory	£4,000.00	£4,000.00
Fee for application to transfer licence	OS	Statutory	£1,800.00	£1,800.00
Fee for application for reinstatement of a licence	OS	Statutory	£1,800.00	£1,800.00
Fee for application for provisional statement	OS	Statutory	£8,000.00	£8,000.00
Casino Premises Licence - Converted				
Maximum conversion application fee for non fast track application	OS	Statutory	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
Annual fee	OS	Statutory	£3,000.00	£3,000.00
Fee for application to vary licence	OS	Statutory	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
Fee for application to transfer licence	OS	Statutory	£1,350.00	£1,350.00
Fee for application for reinstatement of a licence	OS	Statutory	£1,350.00	£1,350.00
Bingo Premises Licence				
Maximum conversion application fee for non fast track application	OS	Statutory	£1,750.00	£1,750.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of provisional statement premises	OS	Statutory	£1,200.00	£1,200.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of other premises	OS	Statutory	£3,500.00	£3,500.00
Annual fee	OS	Statutory	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Fee for application to vary licence	OS	Statutory	£1,750.00	£1,750.00
Fee for application to transfer licence	OS	Statutory	£1,200.00	£1,200.00
Fee for application for reinstatement of a licence	OS	Statutory	£1,200.00	£1,200.00
Fee for application for provisional statement	OS	Statutory	£3,500.00	£3,500.00
Adult Gaming Premises Licence				
Maximum conversion application fee for non fast track application	OS	Statutory	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of provisional statement premises	OS	Statutory	£1,200.00	£1,200.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of other premises	OS	Statutory	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
Annual fee	OS	Statutory	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Fee for application to vary licence	OS	Statutory	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Fee for application to transfer licence	OS	Statutory	£1,200.00	£1,200.00
Fee for application for reinstatement of a licence	OS	Statutory	£1,200.00	£1,200.00
Fee for application for provisional statement	OS	Statutory	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
Betting Premises (Track) Licence				
Maximum conversion application fee for non fast track application	OS	Statutory	£1,250.00	£1,250.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of provisional statement premises	OS	Statutory	£950.00	£950.00

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Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of other premises	OS	Statutory	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
Annual fee	OS	Statutory	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Fee for application to vary licence	OS	Statutory	£1,250.00	£1,250.00
Fee for application to transfer licence	OS	Statutory	£950.00	£950.00
Fee for application for reinstatement of a licence	OS	Statutory	£950.00	£950.00
Fee for application for provisional statement	OS	Statutory	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
Family Entertainment Centre Premises Licence				
Maximum conversion application fee for non fast track application	OS	Statutory	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of provisional statement premises	OS	Statutory	£950.00	£950.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of other premises	OS	Statutory	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
Annual fee	OS	Statutory	£750.00	£750.00
Fee for application to vary licence	OS	Statutory	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Fee for application to transfer licence	OS	Statutory	£950.00	£950.00
Fee for application for reinstatement of a licence	OS	Statutory	£950.00	£950.00
Fee for application for provisional statement	OS	Statutory	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
Betting Premises (Other) Licence				
Maximum conversion application fee for non fast track application	OS	Statutory	£1,500.00	£1,500.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of provisional statement premises	OS	Statutory	£1,200.00	£1,200.00
Maximum non conversion application fee in respect of other premises	OS	Statutory	£3,000.00	£3,000.00
Annual fee	OS	Statutory	£600.00	£600.00
Fee for application to vary licence	OS	Statutory	£1,500.00	£1,500.00
Fee for application to transfer licence	OS	Statutory	£1,200.00	£1,200.00
Fee for application for reinstatement of a licence	OS	Statutory	£1,200.00	£1,200.00
Fee for application for provisional statement	OS	Statutory	£3,000.00	£3,000.00
Temporary Use Notices				
Temporary Use Notice fee	OS	Statutory	£500.00	£500.00
Replacement of an endorsed copy	OS	Statutory	£25.00	£25.00
All premises licences				
Change of circumstances fee	OS	Statutory	£50.00	£50.00
Fee for a copy licence	OS	Statutory	£25.00	£25.00
GAMBLING ACT 2005 PERMITS				
Family Entertainment Centre Gaming Machine Permit				
Application fee	OS	Statutory	£300.00	£300.00
Renewal	OS	Statutory	£300.00	£300.00
Change of name	OS	Statutory	£25.00	£25.00
Copy of permit	OS	Statutory	£15.00	£15.00
Club Gaming Permits				
Application fee - holder of club premises certificate or holder of existing Pt 2 or 3 registration under Gaming Act 1968	OS	Statutory	£100.00	£100.00
Application fee – non club premises certificate holder	OS	Statutory	£200.00	£200.00

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Renewal after 10 years	OS	Statutory	£200.00	£200.00
Copy of permit	OS	Statutory	£15.00	£15.00
Variation	OS	Statutory	£100.00	£100.00
Club Machine Permits				
Application fee - holder of club premises certificate or holder of existing Pt 2 or 3 registration under Gaming Act 1968	OS	Statutory	£100.00	£100.00
Application fee – non club premises certificate holder	OS	Statutory	£200.00	£200.00
Renewal after 10 years	OS	Statutory	£200.00	£200.00
Copy of permit	OS	Statutory	£15.00	£15.00
Variation	OS	Statutory	£100.00	£100.00
Alcohol Licensed Premises – 2 or less machines				
Notification fee	OS	Statutory	£50.00	£50.00
Alcohol Licensed Premises – more than 2 machines				
Application fee	OS	Statutory	£150.00	£150.00
Annual fee	OS	Statutory	£50.00	£50.00
Change of name	OS	Statutory	£25.00	£25.00
Copy of permit	OS	Statutory	£15.00	£15.00
Variation	OS	Statutory	£100.00	£100.00
Transfer	OS	Statutory	£25.00	£25.00
Prize Gaming Permits (pubs)				
Application fee	OS	Statutory	£300.00	£300.00
Renewal	OS	Statutory	£300.00	£300.00
Change of name	OS	Statutory	£25.00	£25.00
Copy of permit	OS	Statutory	£15.00	£15.00
Registration Of Small Society Lotteries				
Lottery registration	OS	Statutory	£40.00	£40.00
Lottery renewals	OS	Statutory	£20.00	£20.00
HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE FEES				
New Driver Licence Application for 12 months				
Joint Hackney Carriage <u>and</u> Private Hire and Standard Private Hire only (incl. 1st knowledge test)	OS	Discretionary	£229.00	£160.00
Restricted Private Hire (SEND) licence	OS	Discretionary	N/A	£90.00
Renewal of Driver Licence Application for 12 months				
Joint Hackney Carriage <u>and</u> Private Hire and Standard Private Hire only	OS	Discretionary	£175.00	£120.00
Restricted Private Hire (SEND) licence	OS	Discretionary	N/A	£90.00
New Driver Licence Application for 36 months				
Joint Hackney Carriage <u>and</u> Private Hire and Standard Private Hire only (incl. 1st knowledge test)	OS	Discretionary	£579.00	£400.00
Restricted Private Hire (SEND) licence	OS	Discretionary	N/A	£270.00
Renewal of Driver Licence Application for 36 months				

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Joint Hackney Carriage <u>and</u> Private Hire and Standard Private Hire only	OS	Discretionary	£525.00	£360.00
Restricted Private Hire (SEND) licence	OS	Discretionary	N/A	£270.00
Knowledge Test Re-sit	OS	Discretionary	£32.00	£40.00
Conversion of Private Hire to Joint Private Hire/Hackney Carriage Driver Licence				
Conversion Fee	OS	Discretionary	£30.00	£30.00
General driver fees				
Three yearly Criminal Records Bureau disclosure		Discretionary	N/A	N/A
DVLA check		Discretionary	£5.00	£5.00
New Vehicle (Plate) Licence Application				
Private Hire Vehicle Licence – 1 year	OS	Discretionary	£250.00	£160.00
Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence – 1 year	OS	Discretionary	£250.00	£190.00
Restricted Private Hire - 1 year	OS	Discretionary	N/A	£140.00
Renewal Vehicle (Plate) Licence Application				
Private Hire Vehicle Licence – 1 year	OS	Discretionary	£250.00	£250.00
Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence – 1 year	OS	Discretionary	£250.00	£250.00
Transfer of Vehicle Plate/licence				
Private Hire Vehicle Licence – 1 year	OS	Discretionary	£250.00	£160.00
Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence – 1 year	OS	Discretionary	£250.00	£190.00
Restricted Private Hire - 1 year	OS	Discretionary	N/A	£140.00
Variation of Vehicle Plate/licence				
Private Hire	OS	Discretionary	£35.00	£45.00
Hackney Carriage	OS	Discretionary	£35.00	£45.00
Restricted Private Hire	OS	Discretionary	N/A	£25.00
Private Hire Operator's Licence				
New & Renewal - 1 year - Single vehicle	OS	Discretionary	£126.00	£126.00
New & Renewal - 1 year - 2 to 5 vehicles	OS	Discretionary	£156.00	£156.00
New & Renewal - 1 year - 6 to 10 vehicles	OS	Discretionary	£186.00	£186.00
New & Renewal - 1 year - 11 + vehicles	OS	Discretionary	£216.00	£216.00
New & Renewal - 5 year - Single vehicle	OS	Discretionary	£627.00	£627.00
New & Renewal - 5 year - 2 to 5 vehicles	OS	Discretionary	£737.00	£737.00
New & Renewal - 5 year - 6 to 10 vehicles	OS	Discretionary	£847.00	£847.00
New & Renewal - 5 year - 11 + vehicles	OS	Discretionary	£957.00	£957.00
Replacement Items (charge applicable per licence)				
Joint P/H & H/C Licence	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
P/H or H/C Vehicle Licence	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
Private Hire Operator Licence	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
Joint P/H and H/C Driver Badge/ID	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
P/H or H/C Vehicle Plate	OS	Discretionary	£20.00	£20.00
Joint P/H and H/C Driver change of address	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
P/H and H/C Vehicle change of address	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
Theft, loss etc of a licence	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
Theft, loss etc of a plate	OS	Discretionary	£20.00	£30.00

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Replacement door sticker	OS	Discretionary	£6.00	£6.00
DBS update service check	OS	Discretionary	£5.00	£5.00
Knowledge test re-sit fee	OS	Discretionary	£32.00	£40.00
DBS enhanced check (where no DBS update service option available)	OS	Discretionary	£51.80	£51.80
DVLA licence check	OS	Discretionary	£5.00	£5.00
PARK HOMES / CARAVAN SITES / MOBILE HOMES				
Costs of New Applications				
5 and under pitches	OS	Discretionary	£285.00	£292.15
6 to 10 pitches	OS	Discretionary	N/A	N/A
11 to 20 pitches	OS	Discretionary	N/A	N/A
21 to 50 pitches	OS	Discretionary	N/A	N/A
51 to 100 pitches	OS	Discretionary	N/A	N/A
6 to 24 pitches	OS	Discretionary	£338.00	£346.45
25 to 99 pitches	OS	Discretionary	£394.00	£403.85
Greater than 100 pitches	OS	Discretionary	£453.00	£464.35
Annual Inspection Fees				
5 and under pitches	OS	Discretionary	nil	nil
6 to 10 pitches	OS	Discretionary	N/A	N/A
11 to 20 pitches	OS	Discretionary	N/A	N/A
21 to 50 pitches	OS	Discretionary	N/A	N/A
51 to 100 pitches	OS	Discretionary	N/A	N/A
6 to 24 pitches	OS	Discretionary	£263.00	£269.60
25 to 99 pitches	OS	Discretionary	£305.00	£312.65
Greater than 100 pitches	OS	Discretionary	£378.00	£387.45
Cost of Laying Site Rules	OS	Discretionary	£49.00	£50.25
Cost of Variation / Transfer	OS	Discretionary	£132.00	£135.30
Cost of variation (no visit)				
5 units or less	OS	Discretionary	£107.00	£109.70
6-24 units	OS	Discretionary	£117.00	£119.95
25-99 units	OS	Discretionary	£127.00	£130.20
100 units or more	OS	Discretionary	£127.00	£130.20
Cost of variation (visit required)				
5 units or less	OS	Discretionary	£170.00	£174.25
6-24 units	OS	Discretionary	£180.00	£184.50
25-99 units	OS	Discretionary	£190.00	£194.75
100 units or more	OS	Discretionary	£190.00	£194.75
Fit and Proper Person	OS	Discretionary	£268.29	£275.00
ZOO LICENCE				
New establishment (excl. VET fees)	OS	Discretionary	£2,415.00	£2,415.00
Renewal (excl. VET fees)	OS	Discretionary	£2,070.00	£2,070.00
Theft, loss etc of a licence	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
Change of name on licence	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
Change of licence details	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
ANIMAL WELFARE LICENCE				
Animal Welfare Licence - New and renewal applications	OS	Discretionary	£290.00 - £2,490	£290.00 - £2,490

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Re-rating inspection fee	OS	Discretionary	£72.00 - £168.00	£72.00 - £168.00
Variation requiring inspection	OS	Discretionary	£72.00 - £168.00	£72.00 - £168.00
Copy licence, change of details not requiring inspection	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS (2 YR LICENCE)				
New establishment (excl. VET fees)	OS	Discretionary	£648.00	£648.00
Renewal applications (excl. VET fees)	OS	Discretionary	£648.00	£648.00
Theft, loss etc of a licence	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
Change of name on licence	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
Change of licence details	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
STRAY DOGS				
Stray Dog Collection - per dog	OS	Statutory	£25.00	£25.00
Kennelling Charge per night/or few hours	OS	Discretionary	£19.65	£20.15
Stray dog collection (anytime)	OS	Discretionary	£61.05	£62.60
Transfer to Woodgreen	OS	Discretionary	£49.00	£50.25
Admin Fee	OS	Discretionary	£12.05	£12.35
PRIVATE WATER SUPPLY SAMPLING				
Risk Assessment (each assessment) - officer hourly rate x time taken up to a maximum fee	OS	Discretionary	Max £500.00	Max £500.00
Sampling (each visit) - officer hourly rate x time taken up to a maximum fee	OS	Discretionary	Max £100.00	Max £100.00
Investigation (each investigation) - officer hourly rate x time taken up to a maximum fee	OS	Discretionary	Max £100.00	Max £100.00
Granting an authorisation (each authorisation) - officer hourly rate x time taken up to a maximum fee	OS	Discretionary	Max £100.00	Max £100.00
Analysing a sample				
Taken under Regulation 10 - officer hourly rate x time taken up to a maximum fee	OS	Discretionary	Max £25.00	Max £25.00
Taken during check monitoring - officer hourly rate x time taken up to a maximum fee	OS	Discretionary	Max £100.00	Max £100.00
Taken during audit monitoring - officer hourly rate x time taken up to a maximum fee	OS	Discretionary	Max £500.00	Max £500.00
IMMIGRATION HOUSING INSPECTIONS				
Production of housing condition reports	OS	Discretionary	£133.75	£136.95
LICENSING OF HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION				
New mandatory licence application < 7 occupiers	OS	Discretionary	£397.00	£406.95
New mandatory licence application 7 or more occupiers	OS	Discretionary	£463.00	£474.60
Mandatory licence renewal < 7 occupiers	OS	Discretionary	£147.00	£150.70
Mandatory licence renewal 7 or more occupiers	OS	Discretionary	£169.00	£173.25
SKIN PIERCING (ACUPUNCTURE, TATTOOING, PERMANENT AND SEMI PERMANENT SKIN COLOURING)				
Premises	OS	Discretionary	£190.00	£190.00
Per Individual	OS	Discretionary	£190.00	£190.00
Amendment of Export health or skin piercing certificate	OS	Discretionary	£11.00	£11.00
SEX ESTABLISHMENTS				

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Application	OS	Discretionary	£3,761.00	£3,761.00
Renewal	OS	Discretionary	£1,880.50	£1,880.50
Variation	OS	Discretionary	£1,880.50	£1,880.50
Transfer	OS	Discretionary	£1,880.50	£1,880.50
Theft, loss etc of a licence	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
TRAVELLER SITE RENTS				
Earith Bridge – Site Rent per week	EX	Discretionary	£91.00	£91.00
Earith Bridge – Water & Waste Charge per week	EX	Discretionary	£11.00	£11.00
Wentworth – Site Rent per week	EX	Discretionary	£91.00	£91.00
Wentworth – Water & Waste Charge per week	EX	Discretionary	£11.00	£11.00
STREET TRADING				
Street Trading - Consent - Annual	OS	Discretionary	£520.00 - £1,040.00	£520.00 - £1,040.00
Street Trading– Consent - Daily Permit	OS	Discretionary	£15.00 - £30.00	£15.00 - £30.00
Street Trading - Consent - Transfer	OS	Discretionary	£48.00	£48.00
Street Trading Consent - Event	OS	Discretionary	£20.00 - £500.00	£20.00 - £500.00
THE POLLUTION PREVENTION & CONTROL ACT 1990 ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING REGULATIONS 2010				
See link for nationally set figures Environment Permitting Regulations		Statutory		
LICENSING ACT 2003 Personal Licence				
Application for a grant of a personal licence	OS	Statutory	£37.00	£37.00
Theft, loss etc of a personal licence	OS	Statutory	£10.50	£10.50
Temporary Event Notices				
Temporary & Late Temporary Event Notices	OS	Statutory	£21.00	£21.00
Theft, loss etc of Temporary Event Notice	OS	Statutory	£10.50	£10.50
Premises Licence				
Application for transfer of a premises licence	OS	Statutory	£23.00	£23.00
Theft, loss etc of premises licence	OS	Statutory	£10.50	£10.50
Loss of premises summary	OS	Statutory	£10.50	£10.50
Application to vary licence to specify individual as designated premises supervisor (DPS)	OS	Statutory	£23.00	£23.00
Application to dis-apply designated premises supervisor (DPS) on community premises	OS	Statutory	£23.00	£23.00
Club Premises				
Change of relevant registered address of club	OS	Statutory	£10.50	£10.50
Notification of change of name or alteration of club rules	OS	Statutory	£10.50	£10.50
Theft, loss etc of club certificate	OS	Statutory	£10.50	£10.50
General				
Minor variation to a premises licence or club premises certificate	OS	Statutory	£89.00	£89.00

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Notification of change of name or address	OS	Statutory	£10.50	£10.50
Duty to notify change of name or address	OS	Statutory	£10.50	£10.50
Application fee for a provisional statement where premises being built	OS	Statutory	£315.00	£315.00
Interim authority notice following death etc of licence holder	OS	Statutory	£23.00	£23.00
Right of freeholder etc to be notified of licensing matters	OS	Statutory	£21.00	£21.00
New Premises Licence Applications And Variations For Premises And Club Premises Licences				
Band A	OS	Statutory	£100.00	£100.00
Band B	OS	Statutory	£190.00	£190.00
Band C	OS	Statutory	£315.00	£315.00
Band D	OS	Statutory	£450.00	£450.00
Band D when primary business Alcohol Sales x 2	OS	Statutory	£900.00	£900.00
Band E	OS	Statutory	£635.00	£635.00
Band E when primary business Alcohol Sales x 3	OS	Statutory	£1,905.00	£1,905.00
Premises Annual Renewal				
Band A	OS	Statutory	£70.00	£70.00
Band B	OS	Statutory	£180.00	£180.00
Band C	OS	Statutory	£295.00	£295.00
Band D	OS	Statutory	£320.00	£320.00
Band D when primary business Alcohol Sales x 2	OS	Statutory	£640.00	£640.00
Band E	OS	Statutory	£350.00	£350.00
Band E when primary business Alcohol Sales x 3	OS	Statutory	£1,050.00	£1,050.00
Additional Fees For Large Venues And Events				
Number in attendance at any one time				
5,000 – 9,999	OS	Statutory	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
10,000 – 14,999	OS	Statutory	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
15,000 – 19,999	OS	Statutory	£4,000.00	£4,000.00
20,000 – 29,999	OS	Statutory	£8,000.00	£8,000.00
30,000 – 39,999	OS	Statutory	£16,000.00	£16,000.00
40,000 – 49,999	OS	Statutory	£24,000.00	£24,000.00
50,000 – 59,999	OS	Statutory	£32,000.00	£32,000.00
60,000 – 69,999	OS	Statutory	£40,000.00	£40,000.00
70,000 – 79,999	OS	Statutory	£48,000.00	£48,000.00
80,000 – 89,999	OS	Statutory	£56,000.00	£56,000.00
90,000 and over	OS	Statutory	£64,000.00	£64,000.00
SCRAP METAL DEALER LICENCE				
Initial Site Licence Fee	OS	Discretionary	£732.00	£732.00
Site Licence Renewal	OS	Discretionary	£600.00	£600.00
Initial Collectors Licence Fee	OS	Discretionary	£560.00	£560.00
Collectors Licence renewal.	OS	Discretionary	£450.00	£450.00
Variation for both licences.	OS	Discretionary	£120.00	£120.00
Theft, loss etc of a licence	OS	Discretionary	£10.50	£10.50
WASTE				
Bulky Waste				

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Up to three household items	OS	Discretionary	£31.70	£32.50
Fridge or freezer	OS	Discretionary	£31.70	£32.50
Initial cost of bins for new residential properties (this is for each bin provided)	OS	Discretionary	£31.70	£32.50
<u>Fixed Penalty Notices</u>				
Dog Fouling			£100.00	£100.00
Littering			£65 - £500	£65 - £500
Graffiti			£65 - £500	£65 - £500
Fly Posting			£65 - £500	£65 - £500
Alarm Noise			£80.00	£80.00
Nuisance Parking			£100.00	£100.00
Abandoning a vehicle			£200.00	£200.00
Unauthorised distribution of free literature on designated land			£150.00	£150.00
<u>Waste Duty of Care</u>				
FPN for breach by house holder of waste duty of care			£120 - £600	£120 - £600
Failure to produce a waste carriers' licence or waste transfer documentation			£300.00	£300.00
Illegal waste deposit			£120 - £1000	£120 - £1000
Waste carriers licence requirements - FPN for breach				
<u>Housing Enforcement Civil Penalties - adopted by</u>				
Specified offences under the Housing Act 2004		Statutory	Up to £30,000	Up to £30,000
Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarm (England) Regs 2015				
1 st offence		Statutory	£500.00	£500.00
2nd offence		Statutory	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Additional offences		Statutory	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
Electrical Safety Standards in the Private Rented Sector(England) Regs 2020		Statutory	Up to £30,000 (Sliding Scale)	Up to £30,000 (Sliding Scale)
Energy Performance of Buildings (Certificates and Inspections) (England and Wales) Regs 2007		Statutory	£200.00	£200.00
Minimum Energy Efficiency (Private Rented Property) (England and Wales) Regs 2015		Statutory	Up to £5000	Up to £5000
Redress Scheme for Letting Agency Work and Property Management Work Requirement to Belong to a Scheme (England) Order 2014		Statutory	Up to £5000	Up to £5000
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT PERMIT	OS	Statutory		

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
EXPORT CERTIFICATE OF HEALTH	OS	Discretionary	£110.00	£110.00
Amendment of Export Heath Certificate		Discretionary	£11.00	£11.00
<u>FACILITIES MANAGEMENT</u>				
GARAGE RENTS – ST JOHNS ROAD, ELY				
Monthly charge	SR	Discretionary	38.55 (Including VAT) plus RPI as at 1.1.25	39.50 (Including VAT) plus RPI as at 1.1.26
<u>LEGAL SERVICES</u>				
LLC1 ONLY	OS	Discretionary		
CON29(R) ONLY	SR	Discretionary	£158.35	£162.30
STANDARD SEARCH - LLC1 AND CON29(R)	SR/OS	Discretionary	£158.35	£162.30
CON29 OPTIONAL ENQUIRIES				
Q4 Road proposal by private bodies	SR	Discretionary		
Q5. Advertisements	SR	Discretionary	£12.70	£13.02
Q6 Completion Notices	SR	Discretionary	£16.70	£17.12
Q7 Parks and Countryside	SR	Discretionary	£12.70	£13.02
Q8 Pipelines	SR	Discretionary	£4.30	£4.41
Q9 Houses in Multiple Occupation	SR	Discretionary	£4.30	£4.41
Q10 Noise Abatement	SR	Discretionary	£3.75	£3.84
Q11 Urban Development Areas	SR	Discretionary	£12.70	£13.02
Q12 Enterprise Zones, Local Development Orders and BIDS	SR	Discretionary	£4.30	£4.41
Q13 Inner Urban Improvement Areas	SR	Discretionary	£4.30	£4.41
Q14 Simplified Planning Zones	SR	Discretionary	£12.70	£13.02
Q15 Land Maintenance Notices	SR	Discretionary	£12.70	£13.02
Q16 Mineral Consultation and Safeguarding Areas	SR	Discretionary	£6.05	£6.20
Q17 Hazardous Substance Consents	SR	Discretionary	£12.70	£13.02
Q18 Environmental and Pollution Notices	SR	Discretionary	£4.30	£4.41
Q19 Food Safety Notices	SR	Discretionary	£9.70	£9.94
Q20 Hedgerow Notices	SR	Discretionary	£4.30	£4.41
Q21 Flood Defence and Land Drainage Consents	SR	Discretionary	£6.30	£6.45
Q22 Common Land and Town or Village Green	SR	Discretionary	£12.50	£12.81
Additional Enquiries				
Additional Parcels of land	SR	Discretionary	£17.15	£17.58
Q24 Typed Enquiries	SR	Discretionary	£8.55	£8.76
CON29 ENQUIRIES				
1.1a-i Planning and Building Decisions and Pending			£11.80	£12.10
1.1 j-l Planning and Building Decisions and Pending			£5.00	£5.13
1.2 Planning designations and proposals			£1.15	£1.18
2.1 to 2.5 Roadways and footpaths			HIGHWAYS	HIGHWAYS
3.1 Other Matters - Is the property included in land required	SR	Discretionary	£4.65	£4.77
3.2 Other Matters - Is the property included in land required	SR	Discretionary	HIGHWAYS	HIGHWAYS
3.3 Drainage Matters	SR		£3.50	£3.59

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
3.4 Nearby Road Schemes	SR		HIGHWAYS	HIGHWAYS
3.5 Nearby Railway Schemes	SR		HIGHWAYS	HIGHWAYS
3.6 Traffic Schemes	SR		HIGHWAYS	HIGHWAYS
3.7 Outstanding Notices (a) (b) (c) (d) & (f) only	SR		£7.60	£7.79
3.8 Contravention of Building Regulations	SR		£3.25	£3.33
3.9 Notices, Orders, Direction and Proceedings under Planning Acts	SR		£5.60	£5.74
3.10 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)	SR		£9.35	£9.58
3.11 Conservation Area	SR		£4.90	£5.02
3.12 Compulsory Purchase	SR		£4.90	£5.02
3.13 Contaminated Land	SR		£1.15	£1.18
3.14 Radon Gas	SR		£2.35	£2.41
3.15 Assets of Community Value	SR		£6.30	£6.45
REGISTER OF ELECTORS				
Sale of Copies of Register of Electors				
Data Form per 1000 electors or part of	OS	Statutory	£20.00 plus £1.50	£20.00 plus £1.50
Printed Form per 1000 electors or part of	OS	Statutory	£10.00 plus £5.00	£10.00 plus £5.00
List of Overseas Electors				
Data Form per 1000 electors or part of	OS	Statutory	£20.00 plus £1.50	£20.00 plus £1.50
Printed Form per 1000 electors or part of	OS	Statutory	£10.00 plus £5.00	£10.00 plus £5.00
LEGAL WORK				
Section 106 Agreements & Variations				
Hourly rates ***				
Director Legal Services	OS	Discretionary	£187.45	£192.14
Legal Assistant	OS	Discretionary	£153.00	£156.83
Senior Legal Assistant	OS	Discretionary	£164.55	£168.66
Land Charges Officer & Paralegal/Paralegal	OS	Discretionary	£61.85	£63.40
Information Officer	OS	Discretionary	£67.60	£69.29
Simple S106 - Standard Charge	OS	Discretionary	£1,335.15	£1,368.53
Easements (e.g. Car parking verges etc)				
Simple	OS	Discretionary	£838.40	£859.36
Complex	OS	Discretionary	above***	above***
Conveyancing (e.g. POS, small parcels of land, small leases & Licences, etc)				
Simple	OS	Discretionary	£838.40	£858.52
Complex	OS	Discretionary	See hourly rates above***	See hourly rates above***
Release of restrictive covenant				
Simple	OS	Discretionary	£838.40	£858.52

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Description	VAT code	Discretionary or Statutory	Charge for 2025/26	Charge for 2026/27
Complex	OS	Discretionary	above***	above***
Miscellaneous Deeds				
Simple	OS	Discretionary	£838.40	£858.52
Complex	OS	Discretionary	See hourly rates above***	See hourly rates above***
Prosecutions				
Car Parking	OS	Discretionary	£125.75 plus Legal Officer presentation time at court and disbursements – i.e. if have to travel to Court	£128.89 plus Legal Officer presentation time at court and disbursements – i.e. if have to travel to Court
Licence - Garage at St John's Road	OS	Discretionary	£136.25	£139.66
All prosecutions			See hourly rates above***	
Miscellaneous removal of charge from property	OS	Discretionary	£136.25	£139.66
Civil Cases	OS	Discretionary	See hourly rates above***	
<u>COUNCIL TAX</u>				
Civil Fine for incorrect reporting of information relating to Council Tax	OS	Discretionary	£70.00	