# **Decision under Delegated Powers**

# Officer Requesting Decision

Elections & Land Charges Manager

# Officer Making the Decision

Head of Legal and Electoral Services

#### Recommendation

That, following notification from Leicestershire County Council of increases in their charges for the elements of the local land search process that they undertake, the Borough Council's fees should be increased by the same amount, and that the scale of fees consequently be amended as follows, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 (or as soon as practicable thereafter):

| Detail                   | Current Fee | New Fee |
|--------------------------|-------------|---------|
| Standard Full Search     | £141.50     | £143.30 |
| Fee (including VAT)      |             |         |
| Extra Parcel Full Search | £16.70      | £16.70  |
| (including VAT)          |             |         |
| LLC 1 Only               | £29.30      | £29.30  |
| (VAT exempt)             |             |         |
| Extra Parcel LLC 1 Only  | £1.10       | £1.10   |
| (VAT exempt)             |             |         |
| CON29 Only               | £112.20     | £114    |
| (including VAT)          |             |         |
| Extra Parcel CON29       | £15.60      | £15.60  |
| Only (including VAT)     |             |         |
| CON29O (Q4 to Q21)       | £14.40      | £15     |
| (including VAT)          |             |         |
| CON29O (Q22)             | £19.20      | £19.80  |
| (including VAT)          |             |         |
| Additional Enquiry       | £19.20      | £19.20  |
| (including VAT)          |             |         |

### Reason

To recover the additional fees due to an increase in the relevant charges imposed by Leicestershire County Council.

# **Authority for Decision**

Heads of Service have delegated authority within the Constitution to undertake the periodic review of fees and charges raised within his or her service area and falling within the scope of the Council's Income and Charging Policy Framework.

Additionally, the Head of Legal and Electoral Services has delegated authority to manage the local land charges function.

## **Decision and Date**

Approved. *N.Ford* 

01.03.2024

# Background

Leicestershire County Council have advised that they are increasing the fees for their elements of the land search process with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 and it is therefore necessary to amend Charnwood Borough Council's fees to reflect these additional costs.

#### Comments from HR

Not applicable.

# **Financial Implications**

Not applicable.

# **Risk Management**

No specific risks have been identified with this decision.

Key Decision: No

Background Papers: None