

PADSTOW TOWN COUNCIL

COMMUNITY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE: 24 MARCH 2026

AGENDA ITEM 9: CORNWALL COUNCIL – PARKING ENFORCEMENT 2026/27 SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT

1. Overview

- 1.1 Committee will recall at its last meeting it agreed to defer a decision to enter an SLA enforcement until costings for 2026/27. Furthermore, that the Town Clerk contact the local MP to ascertain progress on the issue of devolving parking enforcement.

2. 2026/27 SLA

- 2.1 The Town Clerk has reviewed the 2026/27 SLA which overall is the same as the previous years, subject to costings and an additional paragraph. *"If the Town Council requests a Penalty Charge Notice be cancelled due to an administration error, then an administration charge of £10 per Penalty Charge Notice will be charged."*

- 2.2 With regards to fees for 2026/27 the standard hourly rate has risen from £45 to £47. For 2026/27 with applied discount (discount applied to being 20p more than last year at £9.20). PTC's standard weekday charge is £37.80 (an increase of £1.80 from 25/26).

Sunday hourly rate is £47.25 (an increase of £2.25 from 25/26) and Bank Holiday Monday's hourly rate of £56.70 (an increase of £2.70).

- 2.3 The increases for 2026/27 are less than the previous year, as detailed below:

2025/26 Increase		2026/27 Increase	
Monday to Saturday	£2.08	Monday to Saturday	£1.80
Sunday	£2.60	Sunday	£2.25
Bank Holiday	£4.18	Bank Holiday	£2.70

- 2.4 Level of service being offered being the same for 2026/27 as it was for 2025/26.

3. Budget 2026/27 and Risk Register

- 3.1 As Committee will know £6,000 has been included within the Council's budget for parking enforcement. This being ample budget to cover the hours.
- 3.2 February 2026 the Council's Risk Management Policy Statement and Risk Management Scheme was agreed. The volatility of car park income within our risk register for potential impact is classed as "high", but with mitigating factors such as parking enforcement this reduces this risk level.

4. Way Forward and MP Discussions

- 4.1 As Committee will know both the Committee Chair and Town Clerk spoke with our local MP with regards to concerns of CC being the only authority to undertake parking enforcement.
- 4.2 The Town Clerk has now provided greater detail to him. It should be noted that he was very keen to hear what the issues were and the Town Clerk is hopefully he will look at this closely.
- 4.3 It may also be advantageous if the Town Council also speak with our local Cornwall Councillor directly on this issue. Committee views are welcomed as to whether this would be something they consider the Committee Chair and Town Clerk could take forward.

5. Considerations

- 5.1 As Committee will know as detailed in item 3 above, Council has considered the services for an enforcement SLA for 2026/27. Committee will note that with confirmation on costings for 2026/27 and that service levels remain the same as last year there is ample budget available.
- 5.2 Does Committee wish to raise any issues with Cornwall Council and arrange a meeting with the local Cornwall Council on this issue?