Community Services

Licensing

Following a freeze on increase for the last four years it is proposed that the fees and charges in relation to Private Hire / Hackney Carriages should increased.

Following new legislation, new statutory fees have been introduced in relation the Licensing Act and Licences for Scrap Metal Traders.

Pest Control

A new and simplified charging structure is proposed to be introduced for pest control. Rats, mice, bedbugs and cockroaches of £60 per infestation (£30 for concessions). Wasps, ants and flees will be £68 per infestation (£34 for concessions). The first infestation will no longer be free.

Abandoned/End of life vehicles

A single charge is proposed to cover domestic and non-domestic premises and a new fee has been introduced for caravans.

Parking

It is proposed to continue to freeze parking charges. New fees have been set for the car park in Flitwick, once the Council takes full control of it in 2014. The charge will remain £5 per day Monday to Friday and introduce a £1 charge on Saturday and Sunday.

A new excess overnight charge for parking in multi storey car park and for any lost car park token is proposed to be introduced.

Libraries and Theatre

Internet access is proposed to be free for the first 2 hours and then charged at $\pounds 1$ per hour.

Following the refurbishment of the libraries and theatre it is proposed that room hire is based on the room size and its facilities.

The late vacating charge for Leighton Buzzard Theatre is now proposed to be based on the appropriate hourly rate rather than a fixed amount.

Regeneration and Business Support

Adult Skills Service

It is proposed to introduce room hire charges for Kingsland and Samuel Whitbread.

Pre-Application Advice

It is proposed to keep these charges at 2013/14 levels.

Building Control

It is proposed to keep these charges at 2013/14 levels.