

**CUMNOCK TOWN HALL PRICING POLICY**

**Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services**

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To provide the Cumnock Local Committee with information relating to the pricing policy in place at Cumnock Town Hall.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Community Recreation operates seven Community Halls throughout East Ayrshire of which Cumnock Town Hall is one.
- 2.2 The hall hire charges are agreed annually by the Community Services Committee as part of the department's annual report on leisure charges.
- 2.3 The letting policy sets out the reductions available to community groups wishing to utilise these facilities.

**3. CONSIDERATIONS**

- 3.1 Cumnock Town Hall comprises of the following letting spaces: -

Main hall:	-	Medium Unit
Lesser Hall:	-	Small Unit
Chambers:	-	Small Unit
Backstage Room	-	Small Unit

- 3.2 In the current financial year the full Economic rate for a medium unit is £38.00 per hour and for a small unit £32.00 per hour. This is the basic rate from which all lets are calculated using the category's detailed in appendix one.
- 3.3 The letting plan for the facility is Monday to Friday inclusive from 8am – 10pm. Any lets that fall outwith these hours may be charged additional Janitorial costs to meet the cost of the caretaker's overtime.

Any lets that take place on a Sunday is charged for the caretaker's overtime at £13.00 per hour in addition to the appropriate hall hire charges.

- 3.4 Cumnock Town hall is used on a regular basis by the following groups who receive a 90% reduction under the category 5 rate for the regular activities: -

Children's Panel, Karen Liney	£3.20 per hour
East Ayrshire Carers	£3.80 per hour
Derby, Joan Club	£3.80 per hour
Band Practice, Pipe Band/Flute Band	£3.80 per hour
Class Diamonds	£3.80 per hour
Camps, Shaun Lowrie	£3.20 per hour
Addaction Scotland	£3.20 per hour
Drama group	£3.20 per hour
JHP Training	£3.20 per hour
Elderly Forum	£3.20 per hour
Lochwatch	£3.20 per hour
Solidarity Meeting	£3.20 per hour
Gardening Club	£3.20 per hour
Union Meeting	£3.20 per hour
Age Concern	£3.20 per hour

The majority of let's using this facility fall into this category.

- 3.5 The hall is also well used at weekends and evenings for social functions, which falls under the category three rate and makes up the vast majority of the remaining lets utilising this facility.

#### **4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

#### **5. LEGAL AUTHORITY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Nil

#### **6. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 Nil

#### **7. CONCLUSIONS**

- 7.1 The service is providing an inclusive charging policy that is being well utilised by the local community.

#### **8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1 It is recommended that the committee.  
(1). Note the contents of this report.

William Stafford  
**Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services**

WS/KM  
7<sup>th</sup> March 2007

**LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS – EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL  
LETTING POLICY – CHARGES 2006/07**

£3.50 per hour	Childminders
£3.80 per hour	East Ayrshire Council
£3.80 per hour	Daisy's Day Club
£3.80 per hour	Band Practice, Pyle & Wylie School
£3.80 per hour	Class Diamonds
£3.50 per hour	Canon Brian Lewis
£3.20 per hour	Adaptation Scotland
£3.20 per hour	Dance Group
£3.20 per hour	JHP Training
£3.20 per hour	Friday Forum
£3.20 per hour	Lockwood
£3.20 per hour	Solihull Learning
£3.20 per hour	Grating Cup
£3.20 per hour	Union Meeting
£3.20 per hour	Age Concern

The majority of what is being charged will be for the following:

3.3 The list is also used in regard to charges and is used to determine what is charged under the category of charges and is used to determine what is charged under the category of charges for the following:

**4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

**5. LEGAL AUTHORITY IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 Nil

**6. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 Nil

**7. CONCLUSIONS**

7.1 The report is approved and a decision is being made as to the way in which it is to be used by the local authority.

**8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 It is recommended that the committee (if) note the contents of this report.

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WCSM  
17 March 2007

# EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

## LETTING POLICY – CHARGES 2006/07

### **CATEGORY 1**

**Special Commercial Events – Contact Community Recreation on (01563) 554027 - Negotiated Rate**

- Any Special Events run on a commercial basis; for example Commercial Concerts or Commercial Dances i.e. large scale events.

### **CATEGORY 2**

**Standard Commercial Events – Medium Unit £38.00 or Small Unit £32.00 - Full Economic Rate (FER) plus 15%**

- All commercial lets run for financial gain or profit by individuals or commercial organisation; for example sales, fairs, fashion shows.
- Elections – National and Local

### **CATEGORY 3**

**Fundraising and Social Events – Medium Unit £19.00 or Small Unit £16.00 - 50% of FER**

- Community or private events run for social, not financial gain; for example Weddings, Birthday Parties, Organisation's Social Events.
- Fundraising events run by Youth, Voluntary, and Charitable and not for profit Organisations.
- Recreational commercial lets run on a regular basis targeting young people.
- Departmental use out with the letting plan.
- MP Surgeries.
- Councillors Surgeries and meetings out with the establishment's letting plan.

### **CATEGORY 4**

**Parents Groups Fundraising – Medium Unit £7.60 or Small Unit £6.40 - 20% of FER**

- Fundraising events run by Parents Organisation in support of their school activities – a maximum of 2 per year per school.

### **CATEGORY 5**

**Regular Meetings – Medium Unit £3.80 or Small Unit £3.20 - 10% of FER**

**Within the establishments letting plan:-**

- Regular Community Group lets e.g. Mother and Toddlers, Sports Groups, School Activities, Youth Groups, Community Councils, Church Groups and Community Group Committee Meetings.
- Meeting of Political Groups (including business of Political Parties) and Trade Unions.

### **CATEGORY 6**

**Priority Areas, as identified in Regeneration Strategy – Medium Unit £1.80 or Small Unit £1.50 - 50% of Cat 5 Charge**

- All groups named above in Category 5.

### **CATEGORY 7**

**100% Remission of Rate – No Charge**

- Departmental use of their own premises, within the letting plan.
- Councillors Surgeries within the establishment's letting plan.

- **NB.** Any additional janitorial/cleaning costs will require to be charged separately.

## **FACILITIES**

**Medium Units** – includes small halls, gymnasias and kitchens.

**Small Units** – includes classrooms, general purpose rooms, meeting rooms, workshops, dressing rooms and staff rooms.