

ANGUS COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSUMER PROTECTION COMMITTEE – 19 FEBRUARY 2002

REVIEW OF FEES AND CHARGES – WEIGHING AND MEASURING EQUIPMENT ETC.

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

**Abstract**

This report contains details of increased fees and charges for the testing, calibration etc., of weighing and measuring equipment for the year 2002/2003.

**1. RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee agree to adopt the fees and charges detailed in the schedule and appendix to this report for the year 2002/2003; and otherwise note the contents of this report.

**2. BACKGROUND**

An annual review of charges is carried out following guidance received from LACOTS (Local Authorities Co-ordinating Body on Food and Trading Standards) who suggest updated fees to be charged for tests and calibration etc. of weighing and measuring equipment used, in the main, for legal metrology purposes.

The opportunity is also taken to establish updated fees and charges for related purposes.

**3. NEW FEES AND CHARGES**

The attached schedule and appendix propose charges for the next financial year, the vast majority of which are closely based on the LACOTS recommendations and incorporate the suggested 2.5% increase for inflation.

**4. PETROLEUM FEES**

Fees for petroleum storage licences are still controlled by statute, and these were last increased in August 2001.

**5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

It is likely that income from metrology related activities will be around £5,000.

**6. CONSULTATION**

The Chief Executive, The Director of Law and Administration and The Director of Finance have been consulted on the contents of this report.

**7. HUMAN RIGHTS**

There are no human rights issues to be addressed as a result of this report.

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing this report.

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