

RANGE OF CHARGING POLICIES

CHARGING POLICY	POLICY OBJECTIVE
<i>FULL COMMERCIAL</i>	The Council seeks to maximise revenue within an overall objective of generating as large a surplus (or a minimum loss) from this service.
<i>FULL COMMERCIAL WITH DISCOUNTS</i>	As above, but discounted concessions being given to enable disadvantaged groups to access the service.
<i>FAIR CHARGING</i>	The council seeks to maximise income but subjected to a defined policy constraint. This could include a commitment made to potential customers on an appropriate fee structure. Alternatively, a full commercial rate may not be determinable or the council may be a monopoly supplier of services.
<i>COST RECOVERY</i>	The council wishes to make the service generally available, but does not wish to allocate its own resources to the service.
<i>COST RECOVERY WITH DISCOUNTS</i>	As above, but the Council is prepared to subsidise the service to some extent to ensure disadvantaged groups have access to the service.
<i>SUBSIDISED</i>	Council policy is to make the service widely accessible, but believe users of the service should make some contribution from their own resources. Could also be due to the adverse impact a cost recovery or commercial charging policy would have on other council services.
<i>NOMINAL</i>	The Council wishes the service to be fully available, but sets a charge to discourage frivolous usage.
<i>FREE</i>	Council policy is to make the service fully available
<i>STATUTORY</i>	Charges are set in line with legal obligations.