



St. Helens Council

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## PRE-APPLICATION ADVICE SCHEDULE OF CHARGES - FROM 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026

DEVELOPMENT	NET AMOUNT	WITH VAT	SERVICE PROVIDED	
			Development Team Approach (DTA)	Other
Category A Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ No additional floor space</li><li>▪ External alterations</li><li>▪ Boundary treatments</li><li>▪ Advertisements</li><li>▪ Notifications</li></ul>	£99.88	£119.85	-	- Letter
Category B Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Creation/erection of 2 dwellings or less</li><li>▪ Non-residential development where floor space to be created is less than 250 square metres; or the site area is less than 0.25 hectares</li><li>▪ Change of use of less than 250 square metres of floor space; or less than 0.25 hectares site area</li><li>▪ Single wind turbine</li><li>▪ Telecommunications masts</li><li>▪ Listed Buildings (where the development would not come into any other category)</li></ul>	£149.64	£179.57	-	- Letter - Meeting

<p>Category C Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Creation or erection of 3-9 dwellings</li> <li>▪ Non-residential scheme where floor space to be created is between 250 and 500 square metres; or the site is between 0.25 and 0.5 hectares</li> <li>▪ Change of use of between 250 and 500 square metres of floor space; or between 0.25 and 0.5 hectares site area</li> </ul>	£560.63	£672.75	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Site Visit by Planning Officer</li> <li>- DTA Meeting</li> <li>- Written Feedback</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Site Visit</li> <li>- Letter</li> <li>- Meeting</li> </ul>
<p>Category D Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Creation or erection of 10 – 39 dwellings</li> <li>▪ Non-residential development where floor space to be created is between 500 and 1000 square metres; or the site area is between 0.5 and 1 hectare</li> <li>▪ Change of use of between 500 and 1000 square metres of floor space</li> <li>▪ More than 1 wind turbine</li> </ul>	£1243.73	£1492.97	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Site Visit by Planning Officer</li> <li>- DTA Meeting</li> <li>- Written Feedback</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Site Visit</li> <li>- Letter</li> <li>- Meeting</li> </ul>
<p>Category E Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Creation or erection of 40-99 dwellings</li> <li>▪ Non-residential development where floor space to be created is between 1000 and 2500 square metres; or the site are is between 1 and 2.5 hectares</li> <li>▪ Change of use of between 1000 and 2500 square metres</li> </ul>	£2488.32	£2985.98	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Site Visit by Planning Officer</li> <li>- 2 x DTA Meetings</li> <li>- Written Feedback</li> </ul>	-
<p>Category F Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Creation or erection of more than 100 dwellings</li> <li>▪ Non-residential development where floor space to be created is more than 2500 square metres; or the site area is more than 2.5 hectares</li> <li>▪ Change of use of more than 2500 square metres</li> <li>▪ Any development requiring an Environmental Impact Assessment</li> </ul>	£4976.62	£5791.75	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Site Visit by Planning Officer</li> <li>- 2 x DTA Meetings</li> <li>- Written Feedback</li> </ul>	-
Requirements for pre-application discussions in relation to more complex developments can be discussed and an individual DTA service and fee agreed				
Hourly Rate	£61.88	£74.26		

Advice on the following are exempt from fees:

- Householder Developments
- Businesses within the Town Centre (as identified in the Core Strategy)
- Advice given over the telephone on category A and B schemes