

Background

- Charges last reviewed/increased in 2014
- Not consistent between halls
- No definition of regular user
- No clear discount/premium policy for charitable or commercial use
- No/limited Sunday opening offered at present

Review Objectives

- Maximise utilisation of all halls (encourage greater use of RBH & NWH)
- Consistency but recognising RBH slightly larger and has better access than NWH
- Enable charitable use, encourage commercial use (particularly in Covid-19 recovery period)
- Increase revenue to cover increasing costs

Proposals/Recommendations

- Price increase proposed for new bookings after 1 September 2020, as below . Existing bookings honoured at current rates.
- Regular users defined as a series of 4 or more hires book together
- 25% discount for charitable use, where no charge made to those attending and all funds raised go to registered charity
- 25% premium for commercial use (except for main hall that has commercial rate), where use for an profit making, non-charitable purpose
- Greater discounts or free use considered on a case by case basis, via the Community Matters grants process (cost charged to grants expense)
- Trial/promote Sunday opening at RBH - to consider for other halls upon request.
- Wi-fi to be installed at RBH and NWH. Refurbishment opportunities reviewed as all halls.

FACILITY	Current £/hr	Proposed £/hr from 1 Sept 20	Increase %	Comment
THE FOLK HALL				
Main Hall to 6pm - Mon to Sat	£10.25	£11.00	7.3%	Round pound rates
6pm to 10 pm - Mon to Sat	£15.00	£16.00	6.7%	Round pound rates
after 10pm - Mon to Sat	£19.50	£21.00	7.7%	Round pound rates
Commercial Rate Main Hall	£30.00	£30.00	0.0%	Keep same to encourage use
Fedden Room (12) Min 2hr	£4.00	£4.50	12.5%	
Reynolds Room (20) Min 2 hr	£4.75	£5.50	15.8%	
Eve Wigan Room (35)	£7.25	£8.00	10.3%	Good condition/popular room
Kitchen Full Use for catering	£30.00	£33.00	10.0%	
NORTH WESTON HALL (80)				
Regular hirers - series of more than 4 bookings	£8.75	£8.75	0.0%	Encourage more regular use
Other users	£10.00	£13.00	30.0%	Discount to RBH
Fri & Sat eve	£12.50	£15.00	20.0%	Additional cost of late opening
REDCLIFFE BAY HALL (80)				
Regular hirers - series of more than 4 bookings	£8.00	£9.00	12.5%	Slight premium to NWH
Other Users	£12.50	£14.00	12.0%	Slight premium to NWH
Fri & Sat eve	£12.50	£15.00	20.0%	Additional cost of late opening
Sunday - minimum 3 hours		£15.00		Additional cost of Sunday opening