CORE OFFER BUDGET FOR LAND CHARGES

WHY DOES THE COUNCIL HAVE TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE AND WHAT DOES IT NEED TO COVER?

Land charges are claims, restrictions decisions or information concerning a particular piece of property or land. The Council provides collated search information (the official search, for a fee) and also responds to questions for information about land charges under information access rights (the Council cannot charge for providing this information)

Local authorities have a legal duty under the Local Land Charges Act 1975 to maintain the register of local land charges and provide official local authority searches of information that it contains.

The charges that are set are based on the cost of provision. Includes 0.9 FTE staff employed and staff in other service areas also contribute data relevant to their area in the compilation of search information. Currently there is a slight net surplus.

HOW DOES THE CORE OFFER BUDGET MEET THE COUNCIL'S OBLIGATIONS?

The core offer meets the obligations set out above.

DOES THIS DIFFER FROM THE CURRENT SERVICE?

No

WHAT IS THE CORE BUDGET MADE UP OF?

2019/20 - £1,289

£10,370 Software

(£70,000) Fees and charges

£60,919 Overheads