

1.0 Introduction

Hall hire charges have been compared locally as follows:

Hourly Rates	Pinetrees	Broadgreen	Moredon CC	Redhouse	Christchurch Old Town	Toothill	Central (Railway Village)
<b>Main hall</b>							
Commercial	£16.00	General price £22.60	£20	£20 - £25	£22.60	£30 - £40	£19
Not for Profit	£12.80	Childrens Parties £17.50	£20	£18 - £22.50	£13.60		
Parish residents	£10.40	£19.26		£18 - £22.50			£13
Charity status			£20	£20			
<b>Meeting Room</b>							
Commercial	£10.70	General Price £16.48	£20		£18	£38	
Not for Profit	£8.56	£14.00	£20		£10.80		
Parish residents	£6.96						
Charity status			£20				

2.0 Report Detail

2.1 Weekend agency staff cover costs the Parish Council £15 per hour. Therefore some bookings are not covering their costs.

2.2 The current budgeted income for Pinetrees Community Centre is £71,000.00. Budgeted expenditure including employed staff costs is £83,667.00. This gives a budgeted net loss of £12,667.00 per annum. This does not include the agency staff expenditure.

2.3 It is recommended that a weekend premium be added to cover the costs of additional staffing requirements.

2.4 The following are recommended hire charges for Pinetrees Community Centre:

Hourly Rates	Current Rates	Recommended Rates	Recommended Weekend Rates
<b>Main hall</b>			
Commercial	£16.00	£20.00	£25.00
Not for Profit	£12.80	£15.00	£20.00
Parish residents single bookings	£10.40	£15.00	£20.00
Charity status		£15.00	£20.00
<b>Meeting Room</b>			
Commercial	£10.70	£15.00	£20.00
Not for Profit	£8.56	£12.00	£17.00
Parish residents single booking	£6.96	£12.00	£17.00
Charity status		£12.00	£17.00

2.5 The recommended structure is intended to simplify the pricing for both staff and customers. Grouping, not for profit, parish residents and charities within the same

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discounted price. This also brings the Pinetrees Community Centre in-line with prices charged locally, whilst remaining competitive with the facilities on offer.

- 2.6 It is recommended that parish resident discount should only apply to one off bookings rather than block bookings and that proof of residency must be provided (ie. Council Tax bill). Similarly any organisation claiming to be a charity or not for profit must also provide proof of such status.

3.0 Recommendation

- 3.1 That the pricing structure recommended at 2.4 be adopted from 1 November 2021, with a review by Committee in six months.
- 3.2 That the discounted rates be applied after providing proof as detailed in 2.6.