STAFFORDSHIRE AND STOKE- ON- TRENT ARCHIVE SERVICE

REVIEW OF FEES AND CHARGES, 2016/2017

The current fees and charges and proposed changes are set out below. The proposed new charges would apply from 1 April 2015.

FEE/CHARGE	CURRENT	PROPOSED		COMMENTS
RESEARCH FEES				
 Research fees Includes searches in original documents such as parish registers, calendars of wills, wills, census returns, tithe and enclosure maps, manorial and estate records and local newspapers. 	£26-00 per hour to include the cost of up to 4 copies and UK/EU postage Minimum charge- £13-00 to include the cost of 2 copies and UK postage £17.50 per hour to include the cost of up to 4 copies and UK postage for people with disabilities.	EU orders: increase £28-00 (£23-33 + £4-67 VAT) First class postage charged additionally. £19-00 for people with disabilities	Non-EU orders: increase £28-00 Non EU postage charged additionally	This fee was increased for the first time in three years last year and is increased this year to reflect the fact that online access is now available to the parish registers with other sources soon to be available. Several other charges are based on this fee and therefore they are increased.
 1.1 Quick research fee A 15 minute look up of a single item in a record e.g. electoral register, parish register or other records and a single copy of an entry where applicable. This does not include searching catalogues. 1.2 Hospital records search fee This fee is based on the standard photography charge and quick search fee using indexes to locate entries in hospital records. Digital images of the records are included in the fee.	£6.50 (£5.41 + £1.09 VAT) First class postage charged additionally. £4 for people with disabilities. £26-00 (£21-60 + £4-40 VAT) plus £6.50 (£5.41 + £1.09 VAT) search fee	\pounds 7.00 (\pounds 5.83 + \pounds 1.17 VAT) First class postage charged additionally. \pounds 4-70 for people with disabilities \pounds 28-00 (\pounds 23-33 + \pounds 4-67 VAT) plus \pounds 7.00 (\pounds 5.83 + \pounds 1.17 VAT) search fee	£7-00	This service was introduced to enable requests for single entries to be dealt with and encourage some income where an enquirer is reluctant to place an order for an hour of research. Confirming the availability of records from the catalogues is still provided free of charge. It goes up in line with the research fee.

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2. Marriage Bond Searches	£13-00 (£10.83 + £2.17	EU Orders:	Non-EU orders:	This fee is set in line with the standard
	VAT) for up to 2 searches			research fee.
	and including provision of up	£14-00	£14-00 for up to	
	to 4 copies of marriage	(£11.66 + £2.34	2 searches	
	licence records. UK postage	VAT) for up to 2	including	
	included. Overseas postage	searches and	provision of 4	
	charged at current rates.	including	copies of	
		provision of up	marriage licence	
		to 4 copies of	records. Non	
		marriage	EU postage	
		licence records.	charged	
		Standard UK/EU postage	additionally	
		included. First		
		class postage		
		charged		
		additionally.		
		£7.00 (£5.83 +	£7.00 (£5.83 +	
		£1.17 VAT)	£1.17 VAT)	
	Single search	and provision of	and provision of	
	£6.50 (£5.21 + £1.04 VAT)	single copy.	single copy.	
	and provision of single copy.	First class	First class	
	First class postage charged	postage	postage	
	additionally.	charged	charged	
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3. Search and supply of copy of individual's partiant (marriage entry for	Successful search with copy	Successful searc	n with copy	This fee is set in line with research fees
individual's baptism / marriage entry for official purposes	supplied £10.00	supplied £10.50 (£7.00+£3	2 50)	and copying charges.
	210.00	£10.50 (£7.00+£3	5.50)	
	Unsuccessful search	Unsuccessful sea	arch	
	£6-50	$\pounds7.00$ ($\pounds5.83 + \pounds1$		
4. Transcription fee for documents	£7.00	EU orders	Non EU orders	This fee covers a range of sources which
identified in online indexes		No change	No change	are copied or transcribed from the
		£7-00	£7-00	Staffordshire Name Indexes website. It is
		(£5.84 + £1.16		held in line with research fees this year.
		ѶАТ)	Non EU postage	· · · · ·
		Includes	charged	
		standard	additionally	
		UK/EU postage		

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5. Certification fee	£13-00 per document	£14-00		The certification fee is linked to the research fee and therefore goes up. Certifications are hand-written by the Head of Service and often at very short notice to meet administrative / ecclesiastical /legal requirements.
COPYING CHARGES	CURRENT	PRO	OPOSED	COMMENTS
6. Photocopies identified and ordered in reading rooms	60p per copy A4/A3 (B&W) £1.50 per copy A4/A3 colour (£1.25 + 25p VAT)	EU orders: No change	Non EU orders: No change	This fee was increased in 2012 and is held this year.
7. Photocopies ordered by post	First copy, incl. UK postage and packing £3-50 (£2.92 + £0.58 VAT) First class postage charged additionally. Successive copies on same order - £1-00 (£0.83 + £0.17 VAT) per copy	EU orders: No change	Non EU orders: No change Non EU postage charged at current rates	The charges were increased in 2013 and aligned with the charge for scans under as the two services were brought together.
8. Photocopies of wills by post- staff assisted	Flat rate of £5-50 per will irrespective of the number of photocopies and to include UK post and packing Flat rate of £7-50 for international orders to include postage	EU orders: No change Flat rate of £7-00 per will to include UK standard post and packing First class postage charged additionally	Non-EU orders: No change Flat rate of £7-50 including non-EU postage	The UK fee was last increased in Jan 2011. The fee was increased for non-EU orders in 2012. The wills are due to go online with Find My Past by the end of 2015. Therefore people will be able to access these documents online themselves at home or in a Staffordshire or Stoke Library. Requests for staff to provide copies will be charged in line with the Quick Research.

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9. Microform print outs : self service in reading rooms	60p- self service	No change		This fee was increased in 2010 to take account of assistance given to customer and the increase in VAT. It is held this year to keep it in line with photocopies.
10. Microform print-outs by post	£3-50 (£2.08 + £0.42 VAT) for first copy £1.00 for each additional print-out First class postage charged additionally Non EU postage charged additionally	EU orders: No change	Non-EU orders: No change	The first copy price was increased last year is held along with the additional print cost.
11. Computer print outs on site	10p	No change		This charge has been held in line with Library Service fees in the County and the City.
12. In-house Photography Charges	£26 per hour fee for photography including prints Additional charge of £13-00 per half hour on any order involving conservation team	EU customers £28-00 (£23-33 + £4- 67 VAT) £14-00 (£11.66 + £2.34 VAT) per half hour	Non EU customers £26-00 (£21-60 + £4-40 VAT)	The scanning and photography charges were substantially reviewed in 2012. The fee goes up in line with the research fee.
13. Permit Fees for Use of Digital Camera	£7-00 daily fee £50-00 annual fee	£7-00 daily fee £50-00 annual fee No change		The daily and annual fees were increased in 2012. The fees are held this year.
14. Photography on Archive Service premises	Proportion of additional staff time required to facilitate and supervise photography based on current research fee scale	No change		This charge is linked to the research fee.

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15. Photographic and microfilming orders handling fee for commercial orders	Flat rate of £50-00	EU orders:	Non EU orders:	The Archive Service uses the nearest archive service which offers this service
		No change £50-00	£50-00	and which can provide the requisite security and quality standards. However
		(£41.67 +		this necessitates a greater input of staff
		£8.33 VAT)		time in transporting documents for filming.

16. Publication fees for the reproduction of documents in: exhibitions, hard copy or online publications or media broadcasting.	Sliding scale of charges according to the nature of the publication, print run or broadcast Community /academic journal publication/ website/ exhibition/ DVD: £10-00 for first item, plus £5-00 for each additional item	No change	These fees are held for this year.
	Commercial publication: hard copy/exhibition/ website: £35-00 for first item, plus £15-00 for each additional item Commercial publication: hard copy/exhibition/ website and e-book rights £60-00 for first item and £25-00 for each additional item as a wrap up fee for both hard copy and e-book rights	£40-00 for first item, plus £20-00 for each additional item Commercial publication: hard copy/exhibition/ website and e-book rights £70-00 for first item and £35-00 for each additional item as a wrap up fee for both hard copy and e-book rights	These fees were last increased in 2015 and are increased for commercial use this year.
	TV broadcast and onsite filming and world wide web publication: standard fee set at £170 for world wide rights for first item; £65-00 for each additional item. Filming on site only £170 per half day.	£180 for world-wide rights for first item; £75-00 for each additional item. Filming on site only £180 per half day.	Again these fees are increased for commercial use. Meeting film companies deadlines and supervising filming takes a lot of staff time and supervision.

OUTREACH SERVICES	CURRENT	PROPOSED	COMMENTS	
17. Talks to / visits by external organisations and groups	£45-00 County/City £50-00 out of county	£50-00 County/City £55-00 out of county	These fees were last increased in 2013 and at the recommendation of the JAC travel expenses for out of county talks were added on. This fee is increased to keep pace with the charge for research as it also involves staff time to prepare and deliver the talk or group visit.	
	Saturday group visits: £50-00	Saturday group visits: £55-00 (£5 extra for out of county groups) £55-00 group visit including tour of strongrooms £60 -00 group visit including tour of strongroom and also visit to conservation workshop	Fees may be waived for retired / disabled groups at the discretion of the Archive Service. The proposed fees are in line with the County Museum scale of fees. Group visits on Saturdays require additional staffing.	
18. Use of meeting room (LARC) at Staffordshire Record Office		Per four hour session £20 SCC meetings, adult education, local history and other societies, non-profit making local organisations or individuals £58 commercial companies		