



SCHEDULE OF COSTS FOR MAKING AND CONFIRMATION OF PUBLIC PATH ORDERS

The following costs have been set in accordance with the Local Authorities (Charges for Overseas Assistance and for Public Path Orders) Regulations 1996.

1. The costs incurred in the making of the Public Path Order	This will be calculated on a time spent basis and is likely to be in the region of £800 to £1,500 for unopposed Orders
PLUS 2. The charge for the advertisement in a local paper on the making of the Diversion Order and on Confirmation of the Order.	Actual advertisement costs (see notes below)

The invoice for the cost incurred in the making of the Order will be forwarded from the Solicitor to the Council prior to the confirmation of the Order.

Two further invoices for the advertisement costs will be forwarded –

- i) following advertisements of the Notice of making the Order; and
- ii) following advertisement of the Notice of Confirmation of the Order.

Wherever possible concurrent and related orders will be made where there is more than one footpath. A further £150 for each additional path included in the order will be charged in such circumstances plus additional advertisement costs/disbursements.

Please note that the costs of the making of the order and initial advertisement fees must be paid before the order is confirmed.

Local Newspapers

The Citizen:

Where the Orders relate to land within the Parishes of Bromsberrow, Corse, Churcham, Dymock, Hartpury, Huntley, Kempley, Newent, Oxenhall, Pauntley, Redmarley, Rudford, Staunton, Tibberton, Taynton, Upleadon or Westbury on Severn they will be advertised in The Citizen Newspaper.

On average an advertisement in the Citizen will cost in excess of £800. This expenditure is incurred twice, firstly on the making of the Order and also on confirmation of the Order.

The Forester:

Orders which relate to any other parish within the Forest of Dean District will be advertised in the Forester newspaper.

The majority of advertisements in the Forester cost approximately £100.

Refunds:

The fact that an order is not confirmed does not mean that the applicant is automatically entitled to a refund. The Regulations do, however, require authorities to refund charges on application by the person who requested them to make the order, where:

1. They fail to confirm an unopposed order; or
2. In the case of opposed orders, they fail to submit the order to the Secretary of State for confirmation, without the agreement of the person who requested the order; or,
3. Proceedings, preliminary to the confirmation of a public path creation order are not taken concurrently with proceedings for a public path extinguishment order; or,
4. The order cannot be confirmed because it has been invalidly made.

Waivers:

Applicants should normally expect to bear the cost of making an order. In certain circumstances a partial waiver of our costs could be considered e.g. if it would significantly benefit the local community or improve the rights of way network, or secure the provision of special gates or stiles for the disabled. Each case will be judged on its merits and in the light of local circumstances.