

Record of Officer Decision

Change to the approved Civil Registration fees for Marriage and Civil Partnership services

Decision Taker and Date Decision Taken:

Deputy Director of Finance, in consultation with the Cabinet Members for Finance and Corporate Services on 9 April 2026.

Summary of Matter or Issue Requiring Decision:

The Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Civic Partnerships (Fees) (Amendment and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2026 were laid in Parliament and will come into force on 6 April 2026. The new Regulations will increase civil registration fees for most Marriage and Civil Partnership services by 10%.

Decision Taken:

That the nationally prescribed increases to Marriage and Civil Partnership fees arising from the Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Fees) (Amendment and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2026 be adopted and take effect on 6 April 2026, replacing the local fees previously approved by Council for implementation from 1 April 2026.

Summary of Reason(s) for Decision Taken:

To implement the revised national fees for Marriage and Civil Partnership Services, as required by the Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Fees) (Amendment and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2026 from 6 April 2026, thereby replacing the Registration fees previously approved by Council on 26 February 2026 for introduction on 1 April 2026.

Summary of Alternatives or Options considered and rejected and Background Papers:

None.

Details of any conflict of interest and dispensation granted to the Officer taking the decision or by any Member of the Council in delegating responsibility for any specific express delegation:

None.

Implementation:

This decision will be implemented immediately.

A copy of this decision and any supporting documentation considered by the Officer taking this decision may also be available for inspection by the public at the Council's offices or posted upon payment of any copying and postage charges. Any member of the public wishing to take up either of these options is asked to please ring (01803) 207087 or email

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Signed: _____ Date: 9 April 2026
(Deputy Director Finance)