

### Public Rights Of Way Orders – Indicative Scale Of Charges

The table below details a typical scale of charges for processing a Public Path Order. The actual fees charged may be lower or higher than those listed below.

Stage	Process to:	Charge Range	Invoice Due for Payment
1	Consideration of application	£175	On submission of application
2	Research the history of the route to ensure no higher rights exist	£100 - £2,000	After sending out pre-order consultation
3	Prepare Order Plan, Description, Landowner Agreement, sending Pre-Order Consultations	£500 - £1,000	
4	Dealing with consultation responses and making a decision to proceed	£100 - £1000	After making decision whether or not to proceed
5	Gain authority, Make Order, Advertising and Posting of Notices	£1,000 - £2,500	At end of the notice period
Opposed Orders Only	Preparation of Referral of Opposed Orders to Secretary of State	£500 - £1,500	After submission to Secretary of State
6	Confirmation of Order, Advertising and Posting of Notices	£500 - £2,000	At end of the notice period
7	Certification of New Route	£200 - £1,000	After advertising has taken place (If Required)

<b>Total cost of processing of a Public Path Order</b>	<b>Unopposed - £2,500 to £10,000</b>
	<b>Opposed - £3,000 to £11,500</b>

**Please Note:**

Each subsequent stage of the process will only commence after payment is received for work carried out in the previous stage.

The council may decide not to proceed with an order where formal objections are raised to any order that has been made, as the costs of any subsequent inquiry are borne by the taxpayer.

In certain instances charges may be refundable as set out in Paragraph 5 of the Local Authorities (Recovery of Costs for Public Path Orders) Regulations 1993 Statutory Instrument 1993 No 407 and Paragraph 14 of the Department of the Environment Circular 3/1993