

BREAGE PARISH COUNCIL

MODEL PUBLICATION SCHEME FOR LOCAL COUNCILS

This model publication scheme has been prepared and approved by the Information Commissioner. It may be adopted without modification by any public authority without further approval and will be valid until further notice.

This publication scheme commits an authority to make information available to the public as part of its normal business activities. The information covered is included in the classes of information mentioned below, where this information is held by the authority. Additional assistance is provided to the definition of these classes in sector specific guidance manuals issued by the Information Commissioner.

The scheme commits an authority:

- To proactively publish or otherwise make available as a matter of routine, information, including environmental information, which is held by the authority and falls within the classifications below.
- To specify the information that is held by the authority and falls within the classifications below.
- To proactively publish or otherwise make available as a matter of routine, information in line with the statements contained within this scheme.
- To produce and publish the methods by which the specific information is made routinely available so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public.
- To review and update on a regular basis the information the authority makes available under this scheme.
- To produce a schedule of any fees charged for access to information which is made proactively available.
- To make this publication scheme available to the public.

Classes of information

Who we are and what we do.

Organisational information, locations and contacts, constitutional and legal governance.

What we spend and how we spend it.

Financial information relating to projected and actual income and expenditure, tendering, procurement and contracts.

What our priorities are and how we are doing.

Strategy and performance information, plans, assessments, inspections and reviews.

How we make decisions.

Policy proposals and decisions. Decision making processes, internal criteria and procedures, consultations.

Our policies and procedures.

Current written protocols for delivering our functions and responsibilities.

Lists and registers.

Information held in registers required by law and other lists and registers relating to the functions of the authority.

The services we offer.

Advice and guidance, booklets and leaflets, transactions and media releases. A description of the services offered.

The classes of information will not generally include:

- Information the disclosure of which is prevented by law, or exempt under the Freedom of Information Act, or is otherwise properly considered to be protected from disclosure.
- Information in draft form.
- Information that is no longer readily available as it is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is difficult to access for similar reasons.

The method by which information published under this scheme will be made available

The authority will indicate clearly to the public what information is covered by this scheme and how it can be obtained.

Where it is within the capability of a public authority, information will be provided on a website. Where it is impracticable to make information available on a website or when an individual does not wish to access the information by the website, a public authority will indicate how information can be obtained by other means and provide it by those means.

In exceptional circumstances some information may be available only by viewing in person. Where this manner is specified, contact details will be provided. An appointment to view the information will be arranged within a reasonable timescale.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where an authority is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

Obligations under disability and discrimination legislation and any other legislation to provide information in other forms and formats will be adhered to when providing information in accordance with this scheme.

Charges which may be made for information published under this scheme

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum inconvenience and cost to the public. Charges made by the authority for routinely published material will be justified and transparent and kept to a minimum.

Material which is published and accessed on a website will be provided free of charge.

Charges may be made for information subject to a charging regime specified by Parliament. Charges may be made for actual disbursements incurred such as:

- photocopying
- postage and packaging
- the costs directly incurred as a result of viewing information

Charges may also be made for information provided under this scheme where they are legally authorised, they are in all the circumstances, including the general principles of the right of access to information held by public authorities, justified and are in accordance with a published schedule or schedules of fees which is readily available to the public. If a charge is to be made, confirmation of the payment due will be given before the information is provided. Payment may be requested prior to provision of the information.

Written requests

Information held by a public authority that is not published under this scheme can be requested in writing, when its provision will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

Declaration

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Breage Parish Council resolved to adopt the model scheme titled Model Publication Scheme for Local Councils (Core Classes Only) produced in accordance with section 20 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 on 2 December 2008 and will publish information in accordance with that scheme. The **Parish Council's Publication Scheme** came into force on January 1st, 2009, and the core classes of the scheme have been applied to Breage Parish Council.

The Freedom of Information Act is an extension to the Data Protection Act 1985 and enables interested parties access to information produced by the Parish Council such as agendas, minutes and financial documents.

Please note that a charge may be made to cover the cost of printing and postage.

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INFORMATION AVAILABLE UNDER THE MODEL PUBLICATION SCHEME

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained	Cost
Class1 - Who we are and what we do Organisational information, structures, locations and contacts <i>(This will be current information only)</i>		
Who's who on the Council and its Committees	Website	
Contact details for Parish Clerk and Council members	Website Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Location of main Council office and accessibility details	Contact Clerk	
Class 2 – What we spend and how we spend it Financial information relating to projected and actual income and expenditure, procurement, contracts and financial audit <i>(Current and previous financial year only)</i>		
Annual return form and report by auditor	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Finalised budget	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Precept	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Financial Standing Orders and Regulations	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Grants given and received	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
List of current contracts awarded and value of contract	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Members' allowances and expenses	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Class 3 – What our priorities are and how we are doing Strategies and plans, performance indicators, audits, inspections and reviews		
Parish Plan	Contact Clerk	

Annual Report to Parish or Community Meeting		
- Current year	Website	
- Previous year	Hard copy	£1.50
	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.00
Class 4 – How we make decisions Decision making processes and records of decisions <i>(Current and previous council year only)</i>		
Timetable of meetings		
- Council Meetings	Contact Clerk	
- Committee Meetings	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Agendas of meetings		
- Council Meetings	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
- Committee Meetings	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Minutes of meetings		
- Council Meetings	Website	
- Committee Meetings	Hard copy Hard copy	£1.50 £1.50
<i>(Note : This will exclude information that is properly regarded as private to the meeting)</i>		
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Reports presented to council meetings <i>(Note : This will exclude information that is properly regarded as private to the meeting)</i>	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Responses to consultation papers	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Responses to planning applications	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Class 5 – Our policies and procedures Current written protocols, policies and procedures for delivering our services and responsibilities <i>(Current information only)</i>		
Policies and procedures for the conduct of council business:		
Procedural standing orders)Hard copy	
Committee and sub-committee terms of reference) (Contact Clerk)	£1.50

Delegated authority in respect of officers Code of Conduct Policy statements)Hard copy) (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Policies and procedures for the provision of services and about the employment of staff: Internal policies relating to the delivery of services Risk Assessment/H&S Complaints procedures (including those covering requests for information and operating the publication scheme))))) Hard copy) (Contact Clerk)))))))	£1.50
Information security policy	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Records management policies (records retention, destruction and archive)	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Data protection policies	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Schedule of charges (for the publication of information)	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Class 6 – Lists and Registers Currently maintained lists and registers		
Assets Register	Hard Copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Register of members' interests	Hard Copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Register of gifts and hospitality	Hard Copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Class 7 – The services we offer Information about the services we offer, including leaflets, guidance and newsletters produced for the public and businesses <i>(Current information only)</i>		
Allotments	<i>(Not yet applicable)</i>	
Burial grounds and closed churchyards	Hard copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
Community centres and village halls	Website	
Parks, playing fields and recreational facilities	Website	
Seating, litter bins, clocks, memorials and lighting	Contact Clerk	
Bus shelters	Contact Clerk	
Agency agreements	Hard Copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50
A summary of services for which the Council is entitled to recover a fee together with those fees (e.g. burial fees)	Hard Copy (Contact Clerk)	£1.50

SCHEDULE OF CHARGES

TYPE OF CHARGE	DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF CHARGE
Disbursement cost	Printing and/or photocopying plus postage and packing	Fixed charge that includes postage and packing

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