

Travel Plans

Advice Note on Monitoring and Measures Financial Contribution Secured via Section 106 Agreements

In July 2012 Camden’s Cabinet agreed to the introduction of a £60/hour formal charge to support the review and approval of submitted draft Travel Plans (TPs) and ongoing monitoring and verification of the operation of approved TPs, to be secured as part of Section 106 agreements. This charge has therefore been applicable since July 2012 and applies to development schemes that are required to provide a TP.

The charging approach is consistent with the approach currently being taken for the implementation of Construction and Demolition Management Plans as part of Section 106 agreements and has been introduced in order to help meet the significant costs involved in assessing draft TPs as well as monitoring and verification of approved TPs.

Standard charging rate: £60 charge for officer time per hour (including VAT)

The £60 hourly rate will allow the Council to set charges that address the specific impacts and issues of each development scheme. However, indicative standard charges per development type are set out below to provide an indication of the levels of charges that can be expected. Applicants will be advised where the fee will be different to the rates indicated below, as determined by site-specific circumstances.

Monitoring and Measures Financial Contribution from April 2023	
indicative charging rates, to be reviewed annually	
Local Level Travel Plans *	£5,674
Strategic Level Travel Plans *	£11,348
* see table below for thresholds	

The TP Monitoring and Measures Financial Contribution will be used to fund the specific technical inputs and sign off that are required to ensure that the obligation is complied with and to ensure that the planning objectives we are seeking to secure are actually achieved.

The Travel Plan financial contribution is secured for the ‘monitoring and measures’ of each Travel Plan. Therefore, one third of the fee collected for each Travel Plan will be put towards the implementation of sustainable travel measures such as Cycle Skills Training, The Cycle Loan Scheme and the Community Cycling Programme which are all delivered by the Council.

Both local and strategic level TPs are monitored and reviewed 4 times over a 5-year period. Therefore, each type of TP will initially be reviewed once the planning application has been approved and then reviewed and monitored again following occupation of a completed development at the end of Years 1, 3 and 5, resulting in 4 chargeable reviews. The other two thirds of the fee for each TP is therefore used for monitoring the Travel Plan itself and accordingly split as follows: Year 0 - 30%, Year 1 - 30%, Year 3 - 20%, and Year 5 - 20%.

The following thresholds are used for each use class to determine the requirement for a travel plan and associated implementation support contribution for each development:

April 2023

Travel Plan Thresholds by Use Class

Current	Legacy before 2020	Use Class	Local Level Travel Plan	Strategic Level Travel Plan
E(a)	A1	Shopping Centre	More than 20 staff but less than 2,500m ²	Equal or more than 2,500m ²
E(a)	A1	food/ non- food retail	More than 20 staff but less than 1,000m ²	Equal or more than 1,000m ²
E(a)	A1	Garden centres	More than 20 staff but less than 2,500m ²	Equal or more than 2,500m ²
E(b)	A3	food and drink: Restaurants and cafés.	More than 20 staff but less than 750m ²	Equal or more than 750m ²
sui generis	A4 / A5	food and drink: Public houses, wine bars or other drinking establishments; Hot Food Takeaways.	More than 20 staff but less than 750m ²	Equal or more than 750m ²
E(g)(i)	B1	Business including offices	More than 20 staff but less than 2,500m ²	Equal or more than 2,500m ²
B2	B2	industrial	More than 20 staff but less than 2,500m ²	Equal or more than 2,500m ²
B8	B8	Warehouse and distribution	More than 20 staff but less than 2,500m ²	Equal or more than 2,500m ²
C1	C1	hotels	More than 20 staff but less than 50 beds	Equal or more than 50 beds
C3	C3	residential	Between 50 and 80 units	Equal or more than 80 units
sui generis	sui generis	Student Housing (more than 6 residents)	Considered as 'C3 residential' dwellings where one student bed is the equivalent of 1 unit.	
E(e)	D1	hospitals/ medical centres	Between 20 and 50 staff	Equal or more than 50 staff
F1(a)	D1	schools	All developments to have a school travel plan	All developments to have a school travel plan
F1(a)	D1	higher and further education	More than 20 staff but less than 2,500m ²	Equal or more than 2,500m ²
F1(c)	D1	Museum	More than 20 staff but less than 100,000 visitors annually	Equal or more than 100,000 visitors annually
F1(f)	D1	places of public worship	More than 20 staff/ volunteers but less than 200 members/ regular attendees	Equal or more than 200 members/ regular attendees
E(d) F2(b)	D2	assembly and leisure (other than stadia)	More than 20 staff but less than 1,000m ²	Equal or more than 1,000m ²
Sui generis	D2	stadia	More than 20 staff but less than 1,500 seats	Equal or more than 1,500 seats
Sui generis	Sui generis	theatres, HMO of more than 6 people sharing, hostels, nightclubs, amusement centres, casinos	Will be considered as the nearest equivalent use	Will be considered as the nearest equivalent use