

**Item PE 18/17 referred from Planning and Transportation Advisory Board minutes of 13 November 2018**

**PE 18/17 REVIEW OF THE PLANNING APPLICATION CHARGING REGIME**

The report of the Director of Central Services and Monitoring Officer provided a review of the pre-application charging regime and set out proposed new charges for 2019/20. It was noted that the Pre-Application Protocol had been effective in delivering technical planning advice in a timely way since its introduction in 2016 and no changes were proposed although further monitoring would be carried out to ensure that it remained up to date and met the needs of customers. However, it was considered appropriate to adjust the fees to recover the full costs of providing advice, including an increase of 3% to the hourly rate, and a revised Charging Schedule was set out at Annex 1 to the report.

**RECOMMENDED:** That the updated Pre-application Charging Schedule 2019/20 set out at Annex 1 to the report be approved with effect from 1 April 2019 subject to the correction of the fee for written advice for medium development to £186.

**\*Referred to Cabinet**