

## **NORTHAMPTON TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Publication Scheme**

#### **Information available from Northampton Town Council under the publication scheme**

(based on the model supplied by the National Association of Local Councils)

Northampton Town Council will make the information in this definition document available unless:

- it does not hold the information;
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The term 'dataset' is defined in section 11(5) of FOIA. The terms 'relevant copyright work' and 'specified licence' are defined in section 19(8) of FOIA. The ICO has published [guidance](#) on the dataset provisions in FOIA. This explains what is meant by "not appropriate" and "capable of re-use".

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained	Cost
<p><b>Class1 - Who we are and what we do</b> (Organisational information, structures, locations and contacts)</p> <p>This will be current information only.</p> <p>N.B. Councils should already be publishing as much information as possible about how they can be contacted.</p>	(hard copy or website)	Free
Who's who on the Council and its Committees	Website	Free
Contact details for Town Clerk and Council members (named contacts where possible with telephone number and email address (if used))	Website	Free
Location of main Council office and accessibility details	Website	Free
Staffing structure	Website	Free
<p><b>Class 2 – What we spend and how we spend it</b> (Financial information relating to projected and actual income and expenditure, procurement, contracts and financial audit)</p>	(hard copy or website)	
Current and previous financial year as a minimum	Website	Free

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Annual return form and report by auditor	Website	Free
Finalised budget	Website	Free
Precept	Website	Free
Borrowing Approval letter	Website	Free
Financial Standing Orders and Regulations	Website	Free
Grants given and received	Website	Free
List of current contracts awarded and value of contract	Website	Free
Members' allowances and expenses	Website	Free
<b>Class 3 – What our priorities are and how we are doing</b> (Strategies and plans, performance indicators, audits, inspections and reviews)  Current and previous year as a minimum	(hard copy or website)	Free
Parish Plan (current and previous year as a minimum)	Website	Free
Annual Report to Parish or Community Meeting (current and previous year as a minimum)	Website	Free
Quality status	Website	Free
<b>Class 4 – How we make decisions</b> (Decision making processes and records of decisions)  Current and previous council year as a minimum	Website	Free
Timetable of meetings (Council and any committee/sub-committee meetings and parish meetings)	Website	Free
Agendas of meetings	Website	Free
Minutes of meetings	Website	Free
Reports presented to council meetings	Website	Free
Responses to consultation papers	Website	Free
Responses to planning applications	Website	Free

<p><b>Class 5 – Our policies and procedures</b> (Current written protocols, policies and procedures for delivering our services and responsibilities)</p> <p>Current information only</p>	Website	Free
<p>Policies and procedures for the conduct of council business:</p> <p>Standing orders Committee and sub-committee terms of reference Delegated authority in respect of officers Code of Conduct Policy statements</p>	Website Website Website Website Website	Free
<p>Policies and procedures for the provision of services and about the employment of staff:</p> <p>Internal instructions to staff and policies relating to the delivery of services Equality and diversity policy Health and safety policy Policies and procedures for handling requests for information Complaints procedures (including those covering requests for information and operating the publication scheme) Disciplinary and Grievance Procedure</p>	Website	Free
<p>Information security policy</p>	Website	Free
<p>Data protection policies</p>	Website	Free

<b>Class 6 – Lists and Registers</b>	(hard copy or website; some information may only be available by inspection)	
Currently maintained lists and registers only		
Assets register	Hardcopy	Free
Register of members' interests	Hardcopy	Free
Register of gifts and hospitality	Hardcopy	Free

<b>Class 7 – The services we offer</b> (Information about the services we offer, including leaflets, guidance and newsletters produced for the public and businesses)	This section to be completed once services have been determined	
Current information only		
Allotments		
Burial grounds and closed churchyards		
Community centres and village halls		
Parks, playing fields and recreational facilities		
Seating, litter bins, clocks, memorials and lighting		
Bus shelters		
Markets		
Public conveniences		
Agency agreements		
Services for which the council is entitled to recover a fee, together with those fees (e.g. burial fees)		

**Contact details:**

**The Town Clerk  
Northampton Town Council  
Guildhall  
Northampton**

SCHEDULE OF CHARGES

<b>TYPE OF CHARGE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>BASIS OF CHARGE</b>
<b>Disbursement cost</b>	Photocopying @ 10p per sheet (black & white)	Actual cost *
	Photocopying @ 25p per sheet (colour)	Actual cost
	Postage	Actual cost of Royal Mail standard 2 <sup>nd</sup> class
<b>Statutory Fee</b>		In accordance with the relevant legislation (quote the actual statute)
<b>Other</b>		

\* the actual cost incurred by the public authority