

Specialist Advice

Specialist advice will incur additional charges:

- Relationship with trees the subject of tree preservation orders (TPOs)
£100.00
- Advice relating to listed buildings
£200.00
- Conservation Area advice
£200.00

If the council needs to employ consultants to answer any technical issues raised (e.g. retail impact issues), no advice will be given until the person seeking advice has given an undertaking to pay the Council's consultant fees.

The charges are based upon one meeting lasting approximately 30 minutes and relate to one development site only. Meetings or discussions about more than one site will incur additional charges. Payment must be made before any meeting or discussion takes place. Drawings must also be submitted at least 7 days before any meeting agreed.

The advice will be given in good faith on a 'without prejudice' basis. It cannot bind or oblige the council to make any particular decision. The advice is no substitute for applicants undertaking their own investigative or surveying work. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that any subsequent planning application is properly detailed and explained and that it complies with all our adopted guidelines and policies.

Simply having a pre-application meeting with a planning officer will not suffice.