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North Herts Council

Publication Scheme

Part of the Council's Freedom of Information Procedures

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Publication Scheme

The Freedom of Information Act gives a right of access to much of the information held by North Hertfordshire District Council (NHDC). This was developed as part of the district wide authorities work towards implementing e-government and creating common points of access for the public to access the whole range of local authority services. The Scheme is set out in categories and classes. The classes are defined to include information in such a way as to be useful and easily accessible to the public. They indicate the information, which is currently available or intended to be, and whether a charge will be levied. Appeals against the reason for the exemption can be challenged by contacting the Information & Asset Team at NHDC or the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioners Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113 (or 01625 545745 if you would prefer not to call an '03' number, or +44 1625 545745 if calling from overseas) www.ico.org.uk

Revision History

Revision	Version	Previous	Description of Revision
Date		Version	-



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November 2018	2018 1.1		New document
April 2021	2021 1.0	2018 1.1	Document review
August 2022	2022 1.0	2021 1.0	Document review
October 2022	2022 1.1	2022 1.0	Updating Information

Exemptions & Exceptions

All general correspondence sent or received by the Council from individuals and all information relating to individuals where it is personal data as defined by the Data Protection Act 2018 is excluded. Where information falls within an exemption within the Freedom of Information Act, the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, Data Protection Act 2018 or any other relevant legislation it will be disclosed subject to these exemptions and or exceptions and the law of confidentiality.

Access to the Publication Scheme wherever practicable

The information contained in each class will be available in a number of formats, including hard copy. These can be inspected at the District Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth, on the web or by e-mail. Copies will be made available in Braille and in other languages if required.

We will comply with requests for information identified in the Scheme within 20 working days.

Any charges applied to specific documents are indicated in the Scheme.

How do I find out about the information you hold about me personally?

Information about individuals is available on request under specific conditions under the Data Protection Act 2018.

For an enquiry under the Data Protection Act 2018 please contact the Council's Freedom of Information department via e-mail FOI2@north-



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herts.gov.uk, telephone 01462 474000 or submit a Subject Access Request form by emailing the form to FOI2@north-herts.gov.uk or by posting the form to the following address:

Information Management District Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Garden City SG6 3JF

The Subject Access Form can be located at the bottom of webpage which can be found by following the link below.

https://www.north-herts.gov.uk/home/council-data-and-performance/data-protection/data-protection-statement

Changes

The Scheme will be kept under review and updated annually as part of an on going work programme overseen by the Information Management Team.

The contact details for the person who will be responsible for ensuring the maintenance of the Scheme and provision of information in accordance with the scheme and who can be contacted is:

Name: Jo Dufficy - Service Director - Customers

Address: District Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth Garden City, Herts, SG6 3JF

Telephone: 01462 474000

Email: FOI2@north-herts.gov.uk

Comments on the Scheme

The Council welcomes feedback on the Scheme and in particular on how useful it is to you. Please forward any comments on the Scheme and its operation to the above-named officer.

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Who do I contact to find out more about the Publication Scheme?

If you would like to enquire about general information on the GDPR, UK Data Protection Bill, Freedom of Information Act or Publication Schemes (not specific to North Hertfordshire District Council), we suggest you contact the Information Commissioners Office at;

Information Commissioners Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

E-mail: casework@ico.org.uk Website: https://ico.org.uk/

Signature

Name: Jo Dufficy

Position: Service Director - Customers

Date 10 October 2022

About the Council

North Hertfordshire has a population estimate of 133,463 as at 30/06/2020, most of this population reside in the 4 main urban areas, Baldock, Hitchin, Letchworth and Royston. Significant areas of the District are rural. This make-up of the district is reflected in the Area Committee Structure. Further information relating to NHDC's budgets and accounts can be found within the named document 'Unaudited Statement of

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Accounts 2021/2022 located on our website. A link to this document has been supplied below for ease.

Microsoft Word - Draft Statement of Accounts 2021-22 (north-herts.gov.uk)

The principal services delivered by the District are:

Planning
Environmental Health
Leisure
Waste Collection
Community Development
Council Tax
Housing Benefit

The Council's priorities are detailed in the Council plan (2022-2027) which can be found here: Council Plan | North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)

The Council is structured on a Cabinet with Leader model, with a joint administrative Cabinet comprising 7 portfolio holders. Further information regarding the portfolios can be found here: Council (north-herts.gov.uk)

The decision making process of the Council is set out in the Constitution which is available on the Councils website under the 'Council & Democracy' category which can be found by following the link below.

https://www.north-herts.gov.uk/home/council-and-democracy/council-constitution



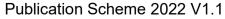
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The Council's approach to Freedom of Information

North Herts Council is committed to open, accountable and transparent operations, both in decision making and service delivery. Its vision is to improve the quality of life for everyone in the District and in achieving this vision is committed to more cost-effective delivery of quality services.

The majority of the Council's business is dependent on information. Much of the information held and used by the Council is already publicly available and the Council welcomes the introduction of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as an opportunity to review and rationalise its information management systems. This work will assist in achieving the electronic delivery of services but will not be restricted to this. The Council is conscious of the fact that electronic access is not everyone's chosen form of communication, hence alternative arrangements will be made and set out in the Scheme, both for hard copy and access for those with specific needs.

<u>Directorate</u>	Service Areas;	Service Director
Open Government Data	N/A	N/A
Enterprise	 Commercial Operations Museums Hitchin Town Hall Estates & Asset Management Economic Development 	Steve Crowley
Customers	Revenues & BenefitsInformation TechnologyCarelineCustomer Services	Jo Dufficy



	- Management Support Unit	
Legal & Community	 Community Protection Democratic Services Legal Services Licensing Policy & Community Engagement 	Jeanette Thompson
Regulatory	 Building Control Development Management Strategic Planning Environmental Protection Housing Parking 	Ian Fullstone
Resources	 - Accountancy - Human Resources - Performance & Risk - Audit - Insurance - Property Services 	Ian Couper
Place	- Active Communities- Emergency Planning- Greenspace- Leisure Management- Waste Services	Sarah Kingsley



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- Communications	

The information has been split into 7 classes for each Directorate. The 7 classes that the information has been split into is as follows:

Class 1: Who we are and what we do

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Open Data is freely available for everyone to access, use and republish as they wish, and published without restrictions from copyright, patents or other mechanisms of control.

This information is exempt under FOI as it is accessible by other means

NHDC have identified the material they provide through Open Government on their website at:-

http://www.north-herts.gov.uk/home/council-performance-and-data/open-data

It includes:-

- Budgets for this year
- Contracts Register
- Council constitution
- Council meeting dates, agendas and minutes
- Councillor allowances
- Election results
- Grants and awards
- Land and property assets
- Organisation structure chart
- Parking revenue (on-street and off-street)
- Pay Policy Statement
- Payments to Suppliers



- Performance management
- Senior employee salaries and job descriptions
- Statement of Accounts
- Waste contracts



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Class 1: Who we are and what we do

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

Class	Description	Examples of Documents/Notes	Format/Website Link	Chargeable/Fee
Constitution	The constitution of the council	Financial Regulations and Contract (Section 19) Standing Orders (Section 4.8)	North Herts Council's Website - Council constitution North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
	Decision Making	Terms of Reference of various committees etc. Code of Practice for procurement of works supplies & services, code of conduct for members & employees, schedule for the payment of members allowances	North Herts Council's Website - Councillors' allowances North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
	Council democratic structure chart	Decision making bodies of the council & their role Councillors, MPs & MEPS	North Herts Council's Website - <u>Councillors</u> <u>North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)</u>	No
Organisational Structure	The management structure and functions of the council	Council departments & organisation structure chart	North Herts Council's Website - Council departments North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No



		Duties and Allowance of Senior Employees	North Herts Council's Website - <u>Duties and</u> <u>allowances North Herts</u> <u>Council (north-herts.gov.uk)</u>	No
Contact	Location & opening times of Council Properties	Main Contact - Location	North Herts Council's Website - Contact us North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
	Contact details for customer facing departments (in addition to the main contact site)	Contact details for customer facing departments (in addition to the main contact site)	North Herts Council's Website - Planning Reception North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
	Councillors contact information	Your Councillors	North Herts Council's Website - Your councillors North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Elections	Elections required by law	Elections overview	North Herts Council's Website - Types of elections North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No



		Election results	North Herts Council's Website - Election results North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Polling stations	North Herts Council's Website - Polling stations North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Standing for election	North Herts Council's Website - Standing for election North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
		Voting Procedures	North Herts Council's Website - Register to vote North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Relationships with other authorities	Councillors, MPs and MEPs	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Returning Officer: The Returning officer and his office does not fall within the remit of the Council, neither are they liable to respond to requests under FOI legislation	All enquiries should be sent to direct to: Elections@north-herts.gov.uk	All enquiries should be sent to direct to: Elections@north-herts.gov.uk	N/A



Corporate governance	Local code of corporate governance	North Herts Council's website - Corporate Governance North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
County Council: Services managed outside the District Council	Hertfordshire County Council Services	North Herts Council's website - Hertfordshire County Council Services North Herts Council (northherts.gov.uk)	No
Shared Services	Shared Anti-Fraud Service	Shared Anti-Fraud Service Hertfordshire County Council	No
	Shared Internal Audit Service	Business Hertfordshire County Council	No
	Hertfordshire CCTV Partnership	Hertfordshire CCTV Partnership	No
	Leisure Contracts and Projects	North Herts Council's website - Stevenage Leisure Ltd - Letchworth Leisure Management Contract North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



	North Herts Council's	No
	website - Contracts	
	Register North Herts	
	Council (north-	
	herts.gov.uk)	

Class	Description	Examples of Documents/Notes	Format/Website Link	Chargeable/Fee
Financial statements	The statement of accounts presents the financial position of the Council at the end of the financial year and its income and expenditure to the end of that year.	Statement of Accounts (and working papers)	North Herts Council's website - Statement of Accounts North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Budget	The overall expected spending of the Council Commercially sensitive documents e.g. those relating to quotations, tenders, loans and	Budget Statement	North Herts Council's website - Council budget approved North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



	insurance will not be disclosed.	Finances and spending	North Herts Council's website - Finances and spending North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Audit - Financial	The external activities (usually carried out by district audit) associated with officially checking financial, quality assurance and operational records to ensure they have been	Compliance audits*,Operational audits, Skills audit, Systems audit, Quality assurance audits* - contact FOI via FOI2@north-herts.gov.uk	PDF document	No
	kept and maintained in accordance with agreed or legislated standards and correctly record the	Treasury Management Strategy - contact FOI via FOI2@north-herts.gov.uk	Electronic	No
	events, processes and business of the organisation in a specified period Exemptions apply to certain audit documents and investigations and proceedings under s.33 of the Freedom of Information Act and the law of confidentiality, personal information will not be disclosed	Council Tax information (leaflets sent with Council Tax bill)	North Herts Council's website - Your Council Tax bill North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



Staff allowances and expenses	Members allowance scheme & the allowances paid under it to councillors each year	List of allowances by category (e.g. mileage, expenses) paid annually to members and Chief Officers (grade 13 and above)	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Councillors' allowances North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
Pay and grading structure		Pay scales will be published Pay and Policy statement	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Microsoft Word - Pay Policy Statement 2022 FINAL (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Grades will be included on top level structure chart	Paper / North Herts Council's website - NHC Senior Management Organisation Chart - March 2022.pdf (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
Procurement Procedures		Procurement	North Herts Council's website - Procurement North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Contracts Register	North Herts Council's website - Contracts Register North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



Details of contracts & tenders	To businesses, to the voluntary community and to the social enterprise sector	Contracts Register	North Herts Council's website - Contracts Register North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Payments to suppliers	North Herts Council's website - Contracts Register North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Details of grants to the voluntary community and social enterprise		Community Grants	North Herts Council's website - Community grants North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Community Right to Challenge Protocol	North Herts Council's website - Community Right to Challenge North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Community Right to Bid Registers and Process	North Herts Council's website - <u>Decisions on</u> Assets of Community Value North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No



Class 3: What our priorities are and how we are doing

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

Class	Description	Examples of Documents/Notes	Format/Website Link	Chargeable/Fee
Strategies & business plans for service provided by the council		Priorities, including Corporate Plans, Service Plans	North Herts Council's website - Council Plan North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Performance Reports	Council Delivery Plan 2022-23		North Herts Council's website - Council Delivery Plan 2022-23.pdf (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
			North Herts Council's website - Council Delivery Plan North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No

Class 4: How we make decisions

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

Class	Description	Examples of	Format/Website Link	Chargeable/Fee
		Documents/Notes		



Meetings – Part 1 and standard forum meetings council de processes public; Tir	Agendas, meetings and minutes relating to full council decision making processes, open to the public; Timetable of Council meetings; Officers	Minutes	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Council and committee meetings North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
	reports, background papers	Agendas	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Council and committee meetings North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
		Associated reports	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Council and committee meetings North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
Public consultation	Current public consultation documents/questionnaires	Includes District wide Surveys and Citizens Panels	North Herts Council's website - News and media North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



For service area customer satisfaction surveys, such as Bi-annual Leisure customer, Annual Play scheme and Annual Archers customer satisfaction surveys contact the Leisure or Play scheme department via service@north-herts.gov.uk		No
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Class 5: Our policies and procedures					
Current written protocols for delivering our functions and responsibilities					
Class Description Examples of Documents/Notes Format/Website Link Chargeable/Fee					
Policies & procedures	For conducting Council business		North Herts Council's website - Council constitution North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No	

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Policies & strategies	Policies & procedures for delivering our service	Policies included on the NHC website or under the particular subject for instance http://www.north-herts.gov.uk/home/council-performance-and-data/policy/climate-change . If the policy is not on the website, please contact the Corporate Policy Team via service@north-herts.gov.uk	North Herts Council's website - Policies North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No charge for electronic copies, paper copies charged @ £0.10p a sheet (black & white)
		Treasury Management Policy contact FOI via service@north- herts.gov.uk		No charge for electronic copies, paper copies charged @ £0.10p a sheet (black & white)
		Anti-Fraud and corruption policy	North Herts Council's website - Fraud Prevention Policy North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Emergency Planning	North Herts Council's website - Emergency planning North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



		Greenspace strategy	North Herts Council's website - Management Strategy and Action Plans for green spaces North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	
		Please contact service@north- herts.gov.uk for a copy of the full document.	Paper / North Herts Council's website - <u>Tree</u> management North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
Policies & procedures about the recruitment & employment of staff	The general terms and conditions of employment with the council. In accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018 and the law of confidentiality,	Conditions of employment with the Council	North Herts Council's website - Working for North Herts Council North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
	personal information will not be disclosed	Human Resources Policies relating to recruitment (Equality & Diversity, Section Methods in Recruitment, Recruitment Advertising)	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Equality and diversity North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No



Job descriptions and person specifications	The job description and person specifications for currently advertised posts. In accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018 and the law of confidentiality, personal information will not be disclosed.	Job descriptions and person specifications for currently advertised posts.	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Job vacancies North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
Customer Service	Customer Service strategy		North Herts Council's website - Customer Service Strategy and Customer Care Standards North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
	Communication strategy		North Herts Council's website - Communications Strategy North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Records management & personal data policies	Information Management strategy		Paper, please contact FOI2@north-herts.gov.uk for a copy.	No



	Retention Policy		North Herts Council's website - Retention Schedule North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
	Data Sharing Policy		Paper, please contact FOI2@north-herts.gov.uk for a copy.	No
	Information Security Policy		Paper, please contact FOI2@north-herts.gov.uk for a copy.	No
Performance Management	Performance statistics – National and Local PI's	Statistical reports Notes from meetings. Published with the Overview and Scrutiny Committee reports	North Herts Council's website - Overview and Scrutiny North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Fees & charges	Council fees and charges list	Booklet of burial charges, memorials, inscriptions in memorial book, use of chapels, purchase of exclusive rights	Paper / North Herts Council's website - <u>Burials</u> and cemeteries North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
		Allotment Charges & Availability	North Herts Council's website - Allotments North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



Pest Control – full charge and concessionary charges	North Herts Council's website - Pest control North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Housing & Public Protection Service – Schedule of Fees & Charges (including Housing & Housing related services; Environmental Protection; Food Safety; Public Health; Animal Welfare; Licensing: Charging for Enforcement & Compliance; Provision of Information)	North Herts Council's website - Environmental health fees and charges North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Hackney Carriage & Private Hire charges	North Herts Council's website - <u>Taxi fares and</u> tariffs North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Fees for planning and related applications from Planning Reception	North Herts Council's website - Planning Reception North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



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	Car parking Locations &	North Herts Council's	No
	charges	website - Car parks in	
		North Herts North Herts	
		Council (north-	
		herts.gov.uk)	

Class 6: Lists and Registers Information held in registers required by law and other lists and registers relating to the functions of the authority Class **Description Examples of** Format/Website Link Chargeable/Fee **Documents/Notes Members - Details** Public contact details of **Your Councillors** North Herts Council's No Your local representative website - Your councillors | of the council North Herts Council (northherts.gov.uk) The list of people eligible Full Register: (Distribution £20 plus £1.50 per 1000 **Electoral Register Flectronic** to vote. This information is limited to specific entries exempt from the Freedom organisations only) of Information Act 2000. £10 plus £5 per 1000 Paper Information in this area is entries made available under the Representation of the Peoples Act 1983. Further **Edited Register** £20 plus £1.50 per 1000 Electronic information available from entries **Electoral Services**



	elections@north- herts.gov.uk		Paper	£10 plus £5 per 1000 entries
Contaminated Land register	Register of remediation notices served and other matters relating to contaminated land	Remediation notices; Appeals against remediation notices or charging notices	Paper copy available at District Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth, Herts SG6 3JF Mon– Fri 9.00am-5.00pm. Tel 01462 474000 or contact Environmental Protection Team via service@north-herts.gov.uk	Free to view, copies chargeable to cover copying costs
Cooling Towers register	Register of cooling towers and evaporative condensers	Register includes address of plant, type of equipment and person in control	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Owners of Evaporative Cooling Towers North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk) Paper copy available at District Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth, Herts SG6 3JF Mon— Fri 9.00am-5.00pm. Tel 01462 474000	Website free, Paper free to view, copies chargeable to cover copying costs



Delegated Decisions Register	Published decisions delegated to officers under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014	Including Environmental Health, Licensing etc.	North Herts Council's website - Public Register and Delegated Decisions North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Environmental Permitting register	List of installations permitted under the Environmental Permitting Regulations	Permits; applications; enforcement notices; monitoring information LAPPC Permits Register	Paper / North Herts Council's website - LAPPC Permits Register North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk) Paper copy available at District Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth, Herts SG6 3JF Mon— Fri 9.00am-5.00pm. Tel 01462 474000	Free to view, copies chargeable to cover copying costs
Food Premises register	List of food premises registered within the district	Register includes address, type of premises and name of food business operator	Paper Paper copy available at District Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth, Herts SG6 3JF Mon– Fri 9.00am-5.00pm. Tel 01462 474000	Free to view, copies chargeable to cover copying costs



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Houses in Multiple Occupation register	Premises licensed as a high-risk House in Multiple Occupation		North Herts Council's website - Houses in Multiple Occupation North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	Free to view, copies chargeable to cover copying costs
		Licensing Public Register	North Herts Council's website - North Hertfordshire onlinepp.north- herts.gov.uk Licence Register	Free to view
Licensing Act register	Register of Licenses issued under the Licensing Act 2003	Premises licences; club premises licences; Personal licences; temporary event notice notifications	North Herts Council's website - Public Register and Delegated Decisions North Herts Council (northherts.gov.uk)	Free to view, copies chargeable to cover copying costs
		A weekly update of applications for premises licenses, minor variations and temporary licences is published on the web	North Herts Council's website - Review a Premises Licence North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	Free to view, copies chargeable to cover copying costs



Gambling Act register	Register of gambling licences issued under the Gambling Act 2005	Premises licences; Temporary use notices	North Herts Council's website - Public Register and Delegated Decisions North Herts Council (northherts.gov.uk)	Free to view, copies chargeable to cover copying costs - Environmental health fees and charges North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)
Taxis	Private Hire and Hackney Carriage licences	Subject to Data Protection restrictions and ICO Decision Notice – Copy available upon request via Licensing@north-herts.gov.uk	Electronic copy available from Licensing from District Council Offices, at above address or email Licensing@north-herts.gov.uk	Free to view, copies chargeable to cover copying costs See Provision of Information - Environmental health fees and charges North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)
Other Licences	Lists of licences maintained by NHDC	Animal Licensing (Dangerous Wild Animals, Pet shops, Zoos, Boarding and riding establishments), Charity collections, Lottery, Sex Establishments, Street Trading	Electronic copy available from Licensing from District Council Offices, at above address or email Licensing@north-herts.gov.uk	Free to view, copies chargeable to cover copying costs See Provision of Information - Environmental health fees and charges North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)
Business Rates Data	Published dataset of Business Rates data		North Herts Council's website - Published data sets North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



Class 7: The services provided by the Council

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

Class	Description	Examples of Documents/Notes	Format/Website Link	Chargeable/Fee
Maps, Directions and information	Public maps and directions to Council property or land assets Ward and Parish Boundaries	Location Plans for Council Offices	North Herts Council's website - Contact us North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		North Herts Street Map	Paper	No
	Outlook Magazine	North Herts Council's website - Outlook magazine North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No	
		Information on the location of Ward and Parish Boundaries in North Herts	O/S Maps	Yes, to cover production
	Overview of information on District	Information pack on economic and demographic makeup of the district	Paper	No



Forms	Forms for completion by customers to access services of the council	Pre application planning forms documents	North Herts Council's website - Do I need planning permission? North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Medical information forms for housing, taxi drivers	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Apply for social housing North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
			Paper / North Herts Council's website - Apply for a Taxi or Private Hire Driver Licence North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No



Licensing & Enforcement Forms found with the subject (including Alcohol Licensing; Animal Licensing; Charity Collections; Gambling Act; Lottery Licensing; Online License and permit applications; Scrap Metal License; Sex Establishments; Skin Piercing; Street Café Licensing: Street Trading; Taxi Licensing)	North Herts Council's website - Licensing North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Food forms i.e. registration of premises, butchers etc.	North Herts Council's website - Food Premises Registration North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Grant application	North Herts Council's website - Grants North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Housing Benefit application form	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Apply for benefits North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No



Other related Housing Benefit claim forms	Paper / North Herts Council's website - Apply for benefits North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)	No
Single Occupancy Discount Review	North Herts Council's website - Council Tax discounts North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Home Improvement Grant application	North Herts Council's website - Housing grants North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Accident Notification forms	North Herts Council's website - Accidents At Work North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Application form for Residents Parking permits/car par season tickets	North Herts Council's website - Season tickets for car parks North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



			North Herts Council's website - Apply for a Resident or Visitor Parking Permit North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Comments, Complaints & Compliments	North Herts Council's website - Comments, compliments and complaints North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Planning		Leaflets, guidance notes and explanatory sheets and forms relating to Planning matters	North Herts Council's website - Planning North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Conservation Areas	Plans defining Conservation Areas; Article 4(2) directions	Conservation Area plans and Orders confirming Article 4(2) Directions withdrawing certain permitted development rights within Conservation Areas	North Herts Council's website - Conservation Areas North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk) Conservation Area maps - Paper Article 4(2) Directions - paper, website/Paper	Website free Paper Yes from Planning reception - Planning Reception North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)



Tree Preservation Orders	Records of Individual Preservation Orders relating to trees in the District	Formal orders and plans	Paper	Yes from Planning reception - <u>Planning</u> <u>Reception North Herts</u> <u>Council (north-herts.gov.uk)</u>
Campaigns	Campaign, publicity and awareness literature on council services, partnership services, or promotional activities associated with the Council	Publications and consultations	North Herts Council's website - News and media North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Priorities	North Herts Council's website - Council Plan North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Publications	Guidebooks, books and other publications that the council makes available, some on a chargeable basis	Food Safety	North Herts Council's website - Search results North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Health & Safety	North Herts Council's website - Search results North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Neighbourhood & the Noise App	North Herts Council's website - Report a noise, smoke or other nuisance North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



			North Herts Council's website - The Noise App North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Housing Grants	North Herts Council's website - Housing grants North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Your Council Tax bill	North Herts Council's website - Your Council Tax bill North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Outlook Magazine	North Herts Council's website - News and media North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Service Details and Guidance	Public contact details, access to, and explanation of council services	Planning Control	North Herts Council's website - Contact Planning Control and Conservation North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
		Planning Reception	North Herts Council's website - Planning Reception North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No



		Apply for Housing	North Herts Council's website - Apply for social housing North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Press releases	Information released to the media	Press releases via Twitter at @NorthHertsDC	Paper / Website North Herts Council's website - News and media North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Traffic Orders	The statutory notice given to warn the public on the	Temporary road closures	Paper	No
	change of the status of a public highway	Parking Schemes	Paper	No
Taxi Licence Holders	Lists of persons holding Hackney Carriage or Private Hire Licence issued by the council		Paper	Yes
Rights of way definitive map	Publication of established rights of way and land drainage	Copies of plans held by Herts County Council	Paper	Available for public inspection
Land drainage/sewerage plans	Plans showing drainage and sewerage in the district	Deposited plans provided by the Water Authorities	Paper	Available for public inspection



Road Works	The current and scheduled road works in the local area	Copies of information held by Herts County Council		
Clubs and Societies		Sports Directory	Paper	No
		List of venues for hire	North Herts Council's website - Community centres North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)	No
Planning and Related Applications	All documentation associated with applications for permission consents or approval Information relating to investigations and proceedings will not be made available	Correspondence, forms, decision and other notices, plans and other drawings, photographs	Paper, some Electronic	Yes contact Planning Reception North Herts Council (north- herts.gov.uk)
Planning Policy Publications	Documents' containing the Council's planning policies and matters relating to land use and spatial planning.	Local Plan; Proposals Map; Development briefs and Local Development Framework, which includes: Core Strategy Development policies	Electronic	Electronic versions are freely available on our website; paper copies can be produced on request but are chargeable, contact Planning Reception North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)



		Area Action Plans (e.g. Stevenage) Land Allocations Supplementary Planning Documents Statement of Community Involvement Local Development Scheme Annual Monitoring		
		Report		
Planning Policy Evidence Base Studies	Documents used in the preparation of the planning policy documents which comprise the Local Development Framework	Strategic Flood Risk Assessment; Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment; Employment land review etc.	Electronic	Electronic versions are freely available on website; Contact Planning Reception North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk) for paper copies
Planning Register	The consolidated listing of planning applications received by the council	Application forms, decision notices, correspondence and drawings	Paper, some Electronic	Yes
Environmental Assessment	Environmental impact assessment and statements	Statements and technical appendices	Paper	Yes

