

Model Publication Scheme

This model publication scheme has been prepared and approved by the Information Commissioner. It may be adopted without modification by any public authority without further approval and will be valid until further notice.

This publication scheme commits an authority to make information available to the public as part of its normal business activities. The information covered is included in the classes of information mentioned below, where this information is held by the authority. Additional assistance is provided to the definition of these classes in sector specific guidance manuals issued by the Information Commissioner.

The scheme commits an authority:

- To proactively publish or otherwise make available as a matter of routine, information, including environmental information, which is held by the authority and falls within the classifications below.
- To specify the information which is held by the authority and falls within the classifications below.
- To proactively publish or otherwise make available as a matter of routine, information in line with the statements contained within this scheme.
- To produce and publish the methods by which the specific information is made routinely available so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public.
- To review and update on a regular basis the information the authority makes available under this scheme.
- To produce a schedule of any fees charged for access to information which is made proactively available.
- To make this publication scheme available to the public.

Classes of Information

Who we are and what we do.

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

What we spend and how we spend it.

Financial information relating to projected and actual income and expenditure, tendering, procurement and contracts.

What our priorities are and how we are doing.

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

How we make decisions.

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

Our policies and procedures.

Current written protocols for delivering our functions and responsibilities.

Lists and Registers.

Information held in registers required by law and other lists and registers relating to the functions of the authority.

The Services we Offer.

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

The classes of information will not generally include:

- Information the disclosure of which is prevented by law, or exempt under the Freedom of Information Act, or is otherwise properly considered to be protected from disclosure.

- Information in draft form.
- Information that is no longer readily available as it is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is difficult to access for similar reasons.

The method by which information published under this scheme will be made available

The authority will indicate clearly to the public what information is covered by this scheme and how it can be obtained.

Where it is within the capability of a public authority, information will be provided on a website. Where it is impracticable to make information available on a website or when an individual does not wish to access the information by the website, a public authority will indicate how information can be obtained by other means and provide it by those means.

In exceptional circumstances some information may be available only by viewing in person. Where this manner is specified, contact details will be provided. An appointment to view the information will be arranged within a reasonable timescale.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where an authority is legally required to translate any information, it will do so. Obligations under disability and discrimination legislation and any other legislation to provide information in other forms and formats will be adhered to when providing information in accordance with this scheme.

Charges which may be made for Information published under this scheme

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum inconvenience and cost to the public. Charges made by the authority for routinely published material will be justified and transparent and kept to a minimum.

Material which is published and accessed on a website will be provided free of charge. Charges may be made for information subject to a charging regime specified by Parliament. Charges may be made for actual disbursements incurred such as:

- photocopying
- postage and packaging
- the costs directly incurred as a result of viewing information

Charges may also be made for information provided under this scheme where they are legally authorised, they are in all the circumstances, including the general principles of the right of access to information held by public authorities, justified and are in accordance with a published schedule or schedules of fees which is readily available to the public.

If a charge is to be made, confirmation of the payment due will be given before the information is provided. Payment may be requested prior to provision of the information.

Written Requests

Information held by a public authority that is not published under this scheme can be requested in writing, when its provision will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM HAMBLETON PARISH COUNCIL UNDER THE MODEL PUBLICATION SCHEME

Information to be published	How to obtain Information	Cost
Class 1 – Who we are and what we do (organisational information, structures, locations and contacts) <u>Current information only.</u>		
1.1 Who's who on the Council and its Committees with names, contact details - telephone number and email address (where applicable)	a) Website / Notice Board b) Hard Copy – contact Clerk	Free £0.11p per sheet
1.2 Location of main council office and accessibility details	a) Website	Free
1.3.Staffing Structure	a) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	£0.11p per sheet
Class 2 – What we spend and how we spend it (Financial Information relating to projected and actual income and expenditure, procurement, contracts and financial audit) <u>Current and previous financial year as a minimum</u>		
2.1 Annual Return form and report by Auditor	a) Website b) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	Free £0.11p per sheet
2.2 Finalised Budget	a) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	£0.11p per sheet
2.3 Precept	a) Website – Minutes of Precept Setting meeting b) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	Free £0.11p per sheet
2.5 Financial Standing Orders and Regulations	a) Website b)Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	Free £0.11p per sheet
2.6 Grants Given and Received	a) Website – (minutes) b) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	Free £0.11p per sheet
2.7 List of current contracts awarded and value of contract	a) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	£0.11p per sheet
2.8 Members Allowance & Expenses	No Members Allowances or Expenses currently paid.	
Class 3 – What our priorities are and how we are doing (Strategies and plans, performance indicators, audits, inspections and reviews)		
3.1 Parish Plan	N/A	
3.2 Annual Report to Parish or Community Meeting (current and previous year as a minimum)	a) Website – Minutes of Meeting b) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	Free £0.11p per sheet
3.3 Quality Status	Not currently working towards Quality Parish Status.	
3.4 Local Charters drawn up in accordance with DCLG guidelines	N/A	
3.5 Inspection of Playgrounds	Carried out by Wyre Borough	
Class 4 – How we make decisions (Decision making processes and records of decisions) <u>Current and previous council year as a minimum</u>		
4.1 Timetable of Meetings (Council, any committee/sub-committee meetings and parish meetings)	a) Website – current year b) Hard Copy of current year/previous year – Contact Clerk c) List of Parish Council meetings displayed on Village Notice Board	Free £0.11p per sheet
4.2 Agendas of meetings (As above)	a) Website b) Hard Copy of current or previous years – Contact Clerk	Free £0.11p per sheet

	c) Current Agenda displayed on Village Notice Board	
4.3 Minutes of Meetings (As above) – nb this will exclude information that is properly regarded as private to a meeting,	a) Website b) Hard Copy of current or previous years – Contact Clerk c) Current approved Minutes displayed on Village Notice Board	Free £0.11p per sheet
4.4 Reports presented to council meetings – nb this will exclude information that is properly regarded as private to the meeting.	a) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk (where applicable)	£0.11p per sheet
4.5 Responses to consultation papers	a) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	£0.11p per sheet
4.6 Responses to planning applications	a) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	£0.11p per sheet
4.7 Bye-Laws	N/A	
Class 5 – Our policies and procedures (Current written protocols, policies and procedures for delivering our services and responsibilities) Current information only		
5.1 Policies and procedures for the conduct of council business: eg Procedural standing orders, Committee and sub-committee terms of reference, Delegated authority in respect of officers, Code of Conduct, Policy Statements Best Practice Statements	For information about any policies/procedure in place, please contact Clerk and where applicable copies will be provided.	
5.2 Policies and procedures for the provision of services and about the employment of staff: eg Internal Policies relating to the delivery of services, Equality & Diversity policy Health & Safety Policy, Recruitment Policies (including current vacancies), Policies and procedures for handling requests for information, Complaints Procedures (including those covering requests for information and operating the publication scheme), Information Security Policy, Records Management Policies (records retention, destruction and archive), Data Protection Policies, Schedule of Charges for the publication of information	For information about any policies/procedures in place, please contact Clerk and where applicable copies will be provided.	£0.11p per sheet
Class 6 – Lists and Registers Currently maintained lists and registers only Any publicly available register or list (if any are held this should be publicised; in most circumstances existing access provisions will suffice).	Copy of the electoral register is held (restrictions apply)	Visual Inspection free.
6.1 Assets Register	a) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	£0.11p per sheet
6.2 Disclosure Log (indicating the information that has been provided in response to requests; recommended as good practice, but may not be held by parish councils).	N/A	
6.3 Register of Members' Interests	a) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk	£0.11p per sheet
6.4 Register of Gifts and Hospitality	a) Hard Copy – Contact Clerk (where applicable)	£0.11p per sheet
Class 7 – The Services we offer (Information about the services we offer, including leaflets, guidance and newsletters produced for the public and businesses) Current information only		
7.1 Allotments	N/A	
7.2 Burial Grounds and closed churchyards	N/A	
7.3 Community Centres and Village Halls	N/A	
7.4 Parks, playing fields and recreational facilities	Contact Clerk for Information	Free
7.5 Seating, litter bins, clocks, memorials and lighting	Contact clerk for information	Free

7.6 Bus shelters	N/A	
7.7 Markets	N/A	
7.8 Public Conveniences	N/A	
7.9 Agency agreements	N/A	
7.10 A summary of services for which the council is entitled to recover a fee, together with those fees (e.g burial fees)	N/A	
Additional Information This will provide Councils with the opportunity to publish information that is not itemized in the lists above.		
Newsletter Items	a) Hard Copy – distributed in Village	Free
Notice of Events	a) Website	
Notices of Elections/Other Local Information	a) Website	

CONTACT DETAILS

All Copies of the above information can be obtained from:

**Mrs K Coleman Clerk to Hambleton Parish Council
c/o Silverwood, Cartford Lane
Little Eccleston, Preston PR3 0YP
Tel: 01995 671499**

(NB some of the above may only be available by viewing in person - this will be confirmed if requests for information are received)

SCHEDULE OF CHARGES

TYPE OF CHARGE	DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF CHARGE
Disbursement cost	Photocopying at £0.11p per sheet (black and white)	Cost of copying
	Colour copying not available.	
	Postage	Actual cost of Royal Mail standard 2 nd class
Statutory Fee	None applicable	
Other (where applicable)	An additional charge will be made for retrieval and collation of information. An estimate of the cost will be advised at the time of the request and this fee will be payable in advance. If the fee is not received within 3 months of issuing a fee notice the Council is no longer obliged to respond to the request. If the costs are lower than those specified in the notice, the excess amount will be refunded.	