WIRRAL COUNCIL

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF REGENERATION

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CHARGES 2007/2008

1.0 **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report seeks Members endorsement of revised charges for various Environmental Health services for 2007/2008.
- 1.2 The report follows recommendations from the Director of Finances Group Auditor that Environmental Health Service charges should be reviewed and reported to Council Members.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Environmental Health Section provides a range of services for which a charge is made.
- 2.2 The various charges are detailed in Appendix 1.
- 2.3 Amendments in charges proposed reflect increases due to inflation, increased costs of service delivery, comparisons with levels of charges made by other authorities where appropriate, rounding out of small denomination figures to simplify cash handling and variations and discounts both to improve choice and flexibility for businesses requesting Pest Control treatments and to promote longer term commercial contracts.

3.0 FINANCIAL & STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no financial or staffing implications other than those outlined above.

4.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None arising from this report.
- 5.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS
- 5.1 None arising from this report.
- 6.0 LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS
- 6.1 None arising from this report.

7.0 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

7.1 None arising from this report.

- 8.0 **COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**
- 8.1 None arising from this report.
- 9.0 PLANNING IMPLICATIONS
- 9.1 None arising from this report.
- 10.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS
- 10.1 None.
- 11.0 **RECOMMENDATION**
- 11.1 That the revised charges for Environmental Health be endorsed.

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