

## Schools Lettings Charges - Academic Year 2026/27

These letting charges have been designed to be used as a guide when charging for the use of school or youth facilities to recover typical premises, cleaning and caretaking costs (reflecting Local living wage pay scales) and administration/overheads.

Schools are advised to use their own discretion when deciding on the exact charges to be levied. Please take into account local conditions and levels of charging from similar venues.

These figures are updated annually using Government statistics and this version is based on July 26 CPI

### **Community and Commercial charges**

The recommended charge for the use of school and youth centre premises for community and commercial use for the 2026/27 academic year is as follows :

|                                                                          | <b>CW&amp;C<br/>Adult &amp; Community<br/>Learning<br/>Usage</b> | <b>Public<br/>Community use<br/>(2/3 of actual<br/>cost return rate)</b> | <b>Outside company<br/>Profiting from the letting<br/>Commercial use<br/>Actual cost return rate</b> |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                          | £ per hour                                                       | £ per hour                                                               | £ per hour                                                                                           |
| <b><u>(i) Primary Schools:</u></b>                                       |                                                                  |                                                                          |                                                                                                      |
| - Hall                                                                   | 23.77                                                            | 47.53                                                                    | 71.30                                                                                                |
| - Classroom                                                              | 15.33                                                            | 30.67                                                                    | 46.00                                                                                                |
| - Subsequent Classroom                                                   | 2.88                                                             | 5.75                                                                     | 8.63                                                                                                 |
| <br><b><u>(ii) Secondary Schools:</u></b>                                |                                                                  |                                                                          |                                                                                                      |
| - Hall                                                                   | 31.12                                                            | 62.23                                                                    | 93.35                                                                                                |
| - Classroom                                                              | 15.75                                                            | 31.50                                                                    | 47.25                                                                                                |
| - Sports Hall                                                            | 58.38                                                            | 116.77                                                                   | 175.15                                                                                               |
| - Gymnasium                                                              | 30.45                                                            | 60.90                                                                    | 91.35                                                                                                |
| - Changing room                                                          | 13.68                                                            | 27.37                                                                    | 41.05                                                                                                |
| - Subsequent Classroom                                                   | 3.23                                                             | 6.46                                                                     | 9.69                                                                                                 |
| - Squash Courts                                                          | 14.82                                                            | 29.63                                                                    | 44.45                                                                                                |
| - IT Suite                                                               | 15.75                                                            | 31.50                                                                    | 47.25                                                                                                |
| - Art & Craft Studio                                                     | 15.75                                                            | 31.50                                                                    | 47.25                                                                                                |
| - Cookery Room                                                           | 15.75                                                            | 31.50                                                                    | 47.25                                                                                                |
| - Centre Head Office                                                     | 15.75                                                            | 31.50                                                                    | 47.25                                                                                                |
| <br><b><u>(iii) On cost for Sunday and<br/>Bank holiday lettings</u></b> | 3.62                                                             | 7.23                                                                     | 10.85                                                                                                |
| <br><b><u>(iv) Sports Facilities</u></b>                                 |                                                                  | <b>£ per game</b>                                                        |                                                                                                      |
| - Tennis / Netball                                                       |                                                                  | 9.30                                                                     |                                                                                                      |
| - Football / Rugby / Hockey / Cricket                                    |                                                                  |                                                                          |                                                                                                      |
| Weekday                                                                  |                                                                  | 51.33                                                                    |                                                                                                      |
| Weekend                                                                  |                                                                  | 67.99                                                                    |                                                                                                      |
| <br>- Synthetic Pitches                                                  |                                                                  | <b>£ Per Hour</b>                                                        |                                                                                                      |
| Full Size Pitch                                                          |                                                                  | 79.66                                                                    |                                                                                                      |
| Half Size Pitch                                                          |                                                                  | 50.62                                                                    |                                                                                                      |
| 1/3 Size Pitch                                                           |                                                                  | 45.29                                                                    |                                                                                                      |

### **Election charges**

The recommended charges relating to Elections have now been removed.

Schools maintained by Local Authorities are obliged to provide free of charge a room in a school for election purposes.

The Returning Officer is only obliged to make good any damage and to pay any additional caretaking costs

Currently CW&C will reimburse caretakers direct for the extra hours they work on Polling Day.

Historically the Returning Officer has also paid schools an amount towards the cost of any additional heating and lighting expenses.

Queries relating to charges and other related matters should be made to [SchoolsFinanceTeam@cheshirewest.gov.uk](mailto:SchoolsFinanceTeam@cheshirewest.gov.uk)

