



## Report for Community Engagement and Wellbeing Committee March 2023

### Room Hire Charges

**Agenda Item 9** – To discuss and agree future Room Hire Charges for Carnegie House

Please would members consider our current room hire charges and whether these need to be increased and if so, by how much.

#### Current Room Hire Charges

The current charges for Room Hire at Carnegie House are as follows. \*Please note there is a 20% discounted rate for non-commercial groups & organisations or no private gain organisations e.g. schools, charitable functions etc.

	<b>Full Day (8hrs)</b>	<b>Half Day (4hrs)</b>	<b>Hourly Rate</b>	<b>Discounted Rate*</b>	<b>Arts Organisation Rate</b>
<b>Board Room</b>	£100	£65	£20	£16	£10
<b>Council Chamber</b>	£150	£80	£25	£20	£10
<b>Ground Floor Hall</b>	£200	£110	£30	£24	£10

#### Comparison of local Meeting Room Hire

Research has been conducted into meeting room hire locally and charges are as follows:

	<b>Large Room</b>	<b>Small Room</b>
<b>Westward Community Centre</b>	£12.50 per hour	£10 per hour
<b>Nolton Church Hall</b>	£15.50 per hour	£12 per hour
<b>Brackla Community Centre</b>	£15.00 per hour	£7 per hour
<b>Corntown Cricket Club</b>	£25.00 per hour	

Where room hire rates have been previously published the following Policy Statement has also been attached:

The principal aim of the Arts Centre is:

To provide a centre for artistic activity in Bridgend town through the provision of a varied programme of quality arts activities, classes and workshops related to all aspects of the arts, for the benefit of the local community and visitors to the area.

In addition, the arts centre aims to establish a reputation as a secure venue for quality exhibition space and room hire for residents and visitors to Bridgend.

Room hire is set at commercial rates with discounts for organisations with charitable status. In addition, a discounted rate of £10 per hour is available for arts organisations, individual artists and events of creative or artistic nature.

### Additional Information

At the November meeting of the Community Engagement and Wellbeing Committee members agreed to hire the Ground Floor to Criw Celf, an arts organisation, on two consecutive Saturdays, for £20 an hour to cover increased heating costs and staff to open and close on a Saturday.