Folkestone and Hythe Community Infrastructure Levy

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In accordance with Regulation 121c of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulations 2010 as amended, Folkestone and Hythe District Council is required to issue an Annual CIL Rate Summary. This document contains the CIL rates adjusted for inflation for the calendar year 2026.

Any CIL liable planning applications approved between 1 January 2026 and 31 December 2026 will have the indexation rate applied in accordance with this document. Folkestone and Hythe District Council acts as the charging authority and collecting authority.

Folkestone and Hythe District Council's CIL first took effect on 1 August 2016. The Building Cost Information Service (BCIS) 'All-in Tender Price Index' applicable for the year the Charging Schedule took effect is **282** (I_c rate).

A revised Folkestone and Hythe District Council CIL charging schedule subsequently took effect on 1 April 2023. The revised Charging Schedule maintained the rates that were first applied following adoption of the Charging Schedule on 1 August 2016. Indexation has been applied year-on-year. The need for the revised Charging Schedule was to remove/exempt strategic sites allocated in the Core Strategy Review adopted in March 2022, as reflected in Table 3. The BCIS Index applicable for the point at which the revised charging schedule took effect is **355** (I_c rate).

For planning permissions granted in the year 2026, the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) CIL Index to be applied is **400** (I_p rate).

The annual CIL rate is calculated by applying the following formula:

Charging Schedule Rate (R) multiplied by Index Figure for Year Planning Permission Granted (I_p) divided by Index Figure for Year Charging Schedule Took Effect (I_c).

To summarise:
$$\frac{R}{I_c} \times \frac{I_p}{I_c}$$

Tables 1 to 3 overleaf set out the rates adjusted for inflation and applicable to planning permissions granted in the calendar year 2026.

Folkestone and Hythe District Council CIL (FHDC2) Rate Summary for Planning Permissions Granted in 2026

Table 1: Charging rates for all development in Folkestone & Hythe District¹

CIL Charging Schedule Year 9 1 January – 31 December 2026					
Residential Uses	Price per square metre (rate to be applied from 1 August 2016)	Price per square metre (rate to be applied from 1 January 2026)	Policy Area		
Zone A	£0	£0	Lydd, some parts of Folkestone		
Zone B	£50	£70.92	Romney Marsh (excluding Dungeness & Lydd), Hawkinge, some parts of Folkestone		
Zone C	£100	£141.84	Hythe, some parts of Folkestone		
Zone D	£125	£177.30	North Downs Area, some parts of Folkestone		

NB: Please see charging maps <u>modified-community-infrastructure-levy-charging-schedule-adopted-april-2023</u>

¹ Except for the rates for retail and related developments in Folkestone & Hythe District (see Table 2), and for health and education which have a nil rate in Folkestone & Hythe District.

²The indexed charge rates as shown may vary slightly and are dependent upon the interpretation of the CIL Regulations by the relevant collecting authority.

Table 2: Charging rates for retail and related developments in Folkestone & Hythe District

CIL Charging Schedule Year 9 1 January – 31 December 2026 ¹					
Retail & related developments (A1 – A5 uses)	Price per square metre (rate to be applied from 1 August 2016)	Price per square metre (rate to be applied from 1 January 2026)	Policy Area		
Folkestone Town Centre (see map 3)	£0	£0	Convenience and comparison retail & other development akin to retail		
Rest of the District	£100	£141.84	Supermarkets, superstores and retail warehousing & other large scale development akin to retail (net retail space of over 280 sqm)		
	£0	£0	Other development akin to retail (net retail selling space of up to 280 sqm)		

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CIL Rate Summary for strategic site allocations in Folkestone & Hythe District¹

Table 3: Charging rates for strategic site allocations in Folkestone & Hythe District¹

CIL Charging Schedule Year 9 1 January – 31 December 2026					
Strategic Site Allocations	Price per square metre	Policy Area			
Core Strategy Policy SS6 – SS9	£0	North Downs Garden Settlement			
Core Strategy Policy SS10	£0	Folkestone Harbour & Seafront			
Core Strategy Policy SS11	£0	Shorncliffe Garrison			
Core Strategy Policy CSD7	£0	Nickolls Quarry Strategic Allocation			
Core Strategy Policy CSD8	£0	New Romney Strategy			
Core Strategy Policy CSD9	£0	Sellindge Strategy Phases 1 & 2			

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