

**INCREASED FEES FOR CERTAIN ASPECTS OF LOWER CRIME WORK – FRIDAY 6th
DECEMBER – 4PM – 5PM**

**THE STATUTORY INSTRUMENT HAS BEEN PUBLISHED AND THE CHANGES ARE
OPERATIVE FOR POLICE STATION VISITS AND THE GRANT OF NEW LEGAL AID
ORDERS FROM 6TH DECEMBER – THE DATE OF THE PRESENTATION!**

THE FOLLOWING 25 POINTS WILL BE COVERED

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- 1 – How to work out whether or not the increased Fees apply to your case
- 2 – Police Station work – the new Fixed Fees for attendances and the new Escape Thresholds – what precisely have they done? – The significance of the figures of £223.52p and £264.45p
- 3 – The completely new concept of – **‘Police station attendance: Travel Fee for the purposes of attendance at a Destination Police Station’**
- 4 – The hourly rates payable in relation to the new concept mentioned above
- 5 – The **Attending Duty Scheme** police stations listed in the Statutory Instrument
- 6 – The new Fees when dealing with representation in the Youth Court – the significance of the figures £598.59p and £658.59p
- 7 – The hourly rates **for all areas** when dealing with representation in the Youth Court – these hourly rates have not been changed at all and the significance of this will be explained during the presentation
- 8 – Additional Fee for cases which fall outside the £598.59p Standard Fee payment schemes (only claimable in cases falling under Category 1A or 2A i.e. when dealing with the more serious cases in the Youth Court and the claim is on a CRM 7 at hourly rates which have not changed under the new Statutory Instrument
- 9 – The new Table setting out the Lower Standard Fee and Higher Standard Fees (and the limits) – Designated Area Standard Fees and Undesignated Area Standard Fees
- 10 – The percentage increases – one of the Youth Court Standard Fees has been increased by 294%!
- 11 – The former Category 1A and 1B and Category 2 (as mentioned in Statutory Instrument 2022 No. 848) has been replaced with the concept of Category 1A and 1B and 2A and 2B – the significance of all of this
- 12 – The full list of Category 1A cases – Increased Fees for serious offences

13 – The full list of Category 1B cases – no change at all to the Fees because these relate to non-serious offences

14 – The full list of Category 2A cases – increased Fees for serious offences

15 – The full list of Category 2B cases – no change at all to the Fees because these relate to non-serious offences

16 – The Fixed Fee payable to the Litigator in respect of a case **SENT FOR TRIAL** to the Crown Court from the Youth Court – £208.61p

17 – Oddities thrown up by the figures in the Statutory Instrument e.g. the difference between the Category 1A Designated Area Lower Standard Fee and the Undesignated Area Lower Standard Fee used to be a meaningful £62.14p and is now merely £2.14p – good news for those who have their offices in an Undesignated Area!

18 – Oddities thrown up by the figures in the Statutory Instrument e.g. there seems to have been Fixed Fee increase of £598.59p when dealing with the more serious cases in the Youth Court and claiming a Standard Fee – not so when claiming the Category 1A Undesignated Area Lower Standard Fee which, for some inexplicable reason, is £60 higher at £658.59p

19 – The position concerning a claim, or not, for **travel and waiting time** when dealing with cases in the Youth Court

20 – Low-value shoplifting (£200 or below) deemed to be a Serious Offence in the Youth Court and therefore attracting a Higher Fee

21 – Offences that start life as being either-way but where a determination is made under **Section 22** of the **Magistrates' Courts Act 1980** that they are to be tried summarily because of the value – these are to be claimed as summary offences not attracting a Higher Fee

22 – 'Fully prepared for trial but disposed of (in some way or another) on the day of trial before the opening of the prosecution case ' whereby a Category 2 Fee is payable rather than a Category 1 Fee

23 – Uncontested proceedings arising out of any breach of an order of a Magistrates' Court are claimable as Category 1B even though the offence for which the original Order was imposed was either-way

24 – Contested Newton hearings in the Youth Court – Category 1 and not Category 2 – Newton hearings follow a guilty plea – possible higher standard fee? – It's very different at the Crown Court is it not.

25 – Accredited Representatives

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