

FG011 2627) Pavilion Hire Costs Review

UPDATE FROM FG011 2627) RESOLVED to recommend to Full Council to increase pitch fees by £5 to help cover increased costs.

No increase to set annual fee for Dynamos due to Pitch Power Grant terms.

No increase to hire costs for pavilion (currently underutilised and awaiting review).

Current notes:

Pavilion hire standard Rate: **£15** per hour up to 4 hours. After that there is a flat fee of **£60**.

Community Organisations and Charities: **£12** per hour up to 4 hours. After that there is a flat fee of **£48**.

Football pitch hire (including use of Pavilion changing facilities) Melbourn Football Clubs only: **£45** per game – *price increased June 2024 from £40 to £45*.

Cleaning costs averaging around £135 monthly.

Income 2025/26 **£5,285** *inflated due to late payment from 24/25 – average £3,085*

Community value increased with Food Bank and additional Squirrell groups and youth projects running from venue.

Comparison pavilion hire costs – halls with similar facilities in the area

Melbourn Sports Pavilion	£15.00 per hour for up to four hours followed by £60 flat rate. Free to community groups.
Meldreth Village Hall	£10.00 – 40.00 per hour (+ £2.00 from 2025)
Foxton Pavilion	£26 - £106 per session (4 hours) (<i>increased Oct 25</i>)
Steeple Morden Village Hall	£12.00 per hour (<i>no change from 2025</i>)
Haslingfield Village Hall	£18.00 for 1.5 hours (£12.00 per hour) (<i>change of min requirement 2025</i>)
Orwell Village Hall	Day costs £61.60 – £115.50 (charged in blocks am, pm, evening, all day) (<i>increased 1 Jan 2026</i>)
Barkway Pavilion	Free to community groups, other private events range from £50 four hours, £100 events over six hours, £75 charity events – residents fees. Non-residents incur other costs. Any events making a profit are charged at £20 - £25 per hour.

Comparison pitch hire costs – with similar facilities in the area

Melbourn	£45.00 per game
Netherhall (3G)	£44 - £80
Netherhall	£53
Baldock	£90 per hour (<i>+\$42 from 2023</i>)
Barkway	£50 (<i>+\$25 from 2025</i>)
Cambourne (3G)	£90 (<i>+\$16 from 2025</i>)
Cambourne	£65
Bottisham (3G)	£100.00 (<i>+\$15 from 2025</i>)
King James Academy (3G)	£100.00