

County Court Rules Committee Consultative Document on Scale Costs Response Questionnaire

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1. Introduction

We welcome your views as part of this consultation exercise.

Please complete the form enclosed and return by **30 September 2011** to:

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A copy of the questionnaire can be accessed at www.courtsni.gov.uk.

If you would like a copy of this questionnaire in another format please contact the Secretariat to the County Court Rules Committee.

The closing date for this consultation is **30 September 2011**. Responses cannot be considered after that date.

2. Questionnaire

Q1: Do you agree that the guiding principles which informed the 2001 fundamental review of scale costs should continue to be applied?

Yes:

No:

Please add comments:

**Q2: Are you content with the proposed bands of –
£15,000 - £20,000,
£20,000 - £25,000 and
£25,000 - £30,000?**

Yes:

No:

Please add comments:

Q3: Do you agree with the proposed scales for the new bands?

Yes:

No:

Please add comments:

Q4: Do you agree that present bands should be increased in line with the rate of inflation?

Yes:

No:

Please add comments:

Q5: Do you agree with the phased implementation of the inflationary increase?

Yes:

No:

Please add comments:

Q6: Do you agree that the discretionary uplift of one-third for complex cases should apply to awards up to the new jurisdictional limit of £30,000?

Yes:

No:

Please add comments:

Q7: Do you agree with the proposed costs for additional day hearings?

Yes:

No:

Please add comments:

Q8: Do you agree with the proposed costs for cases in which there is more than one defendant?

Yes:

No:

Please add comments:

If you have any further comments you wish to make please do so in the space provided:

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