Cork City Council Customer Charter

This Charter shows how providing high quality customer service and care is a key priority for Cork City Council. Cork City Council remains committed to providing an excellent quality of service for all our customers in an effective, fair, respectful, confidential, and non-discriminatory manner.

The Customer Charter sets out the principles of quality customer service you may expect from Cork City Council.



Quality service standards

We will ensure compliance with the quality service standards.



Equality, diversity and human rights

We will ensure equal treatment of all and embrace and foster the City's diversity and strive for equal outcomes for all groups, in line with our Public Sector Duty on quality and human rights. We will work to improve access to services for people experiencing poverty and social exclusion.



Services in Other Languages

We will try to accommodate our customers who wish to discuss their business through Irish or Irish sign language and other languages.



Openness and impartiality

We will deal with you in a fair and open manner. We will discuss any aspects of your dealing with us, and we will explain how a decision was reached.



Physical access

We will provide clean, accessible public offices that comply with occupational and safety standards and facilitate access for people with disabilities and special needs.



Better Coordination

We will encourage a more integrated approach to the delivery of services to our customers.



Choice

We will provide choices in:

- payment methods
- access to servicesservice delivery
- service delivery

We will use technology as much as we can to improve how we provide services and to provide online access to services.



Information

We will provide clear, helpful, accurate, and up-to-date information that can be easily understood.

We will use simple language. We will use technical and legal terms only when necessary. We will explain these terms when we have to use them.

We will make sure that our website and social media are kept up to date.

We will protect your information.



Seek your views

We will seek your views and encourage and help you to take part in how we develop, provide and evaluate our services.

We will monitor and evaluate our services and performance against the commitments in this charter. We will continue to review our customer services.

We will encourage our customers to provide feedback about the quality of service they have received from us.



Accountability

We will provide our services with honesty and integrity to the highest professional standards. We will make sure we make decisions in the best public interest.

We will monitor our compliance by completing annual reviews of our standards and performance. We will publish details of performance achieved.



Council Employees

We will make sure we all see our colleagues in the council as customers too. We will provide them with training and support. We will ask them what makes their work more effective for delivering services.



Timelines and Courtesy

We will treat all our customers promptly, courteously, and with sensitivity.

We will protect their privacy and confidentiality as much as we can.

We will be professional and helpful.

We will provide staff contact details to make sure it is easy for customers to contact staff if they need to.



Complaints and Appeals

We will provide customers with an accessible, transparent, and user-friendly complaints and appeals procedure. This is for people who are unhappy with our quality of service.

You can find details of how to make a complaint at:





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