

Appendix 4 - Section 6.3 Building Control

Thurrock's Building Control fees *last increased in 2020* are significantly lower than the majority of other Essex boroughs current charges (as seen in the tables below).

Fee Comparison - Full plans	< 30sqm	2 storey < 5spm	Loft ext. < 30spm	Ranked by cost
Havering	£732	£1,008	£732	24.3%
Southend	£677	£820	£748	12.8%
Brentwood	£695	£810	£669	9.3%
Epping	£655	£655	£700	1.0%
Thurrock (current charges)	£629	£742	£619	0.0%
Castle Point	£612	£700	£670	-0.4%
Colchester	£584	£602	£659	-7.3%

Fee Comparison - Building Notice	< 30sqm	2 storey < 5spm	Loft ext. < 30spm	Ranked by cost
Havering	£732	£1,008	£732	24.3%
Southend	£713	£855	£784	18.2%
Brentwood	£695	£891	£736	16.7%
Castle Point	£640	£762	£708	6.1%
Epping	£655	£680	£700	2.3%
Thurrock (current charges)	£677	£788	£660	0.0%
Colchester	£608	£644	£699	-1.9%

Neighbouring boroughs are expected to increase fees quite substantially in April 2023, therefore, to be comparable Thurrock has suggested some larger increases in some areas.

The plan fee and inspection fee are added together to form the overall costs for a Full plans' application.

In some cases, there is a reduction in the plan fee but an increase in the inspection fee so overall the cost of the full pans application has increased. See Appendix 1