

## Appendix B - Benchmarking Exercise

<b>Community Hire</b>					
<b>Wednesday Afternoon</b>					
Venue	Thameside Theatre	Towngate Theatre (Basildon)	Queen's Theatre (Hornchurch)	Broadway (Barking)	
Capacity	315	548	505	341	
Hire Cost per hour	£55.00	£112.50	£141.25	£95.00	
	£19.25	£7.50			
Total	£74.25	£120.00	£141.25	£95.00	
Total per seat	£0.24	£0.22	£0.28	£0.28	
VAT included	N	N	N	N	
<b>Saturday Evening</b>					
Venue	Thameside Theatre	Towngate Theatre (Basildon)	Queen's Theatre (Hornchurch)	Broadway (Barking)	
Capacity	315	548	505	341	
Hire Cost per hour	£116.60	£110.00	£141.25	£115.00	
Duty Manager / Front of house	£15.40	£7.50			
Total	£132.00	£117.50	£141.25	£115.00	
Total per seat	£0.42	£0.21	£0.28	£0.34	
VAT included	N	N	N	N	
<b>Commercial Hire</b>					
<b>Wednesday Afternoon</b>					
Venue	Thameside Theatre	Towngate Theatre (Basildon)	Queen's Theatre (Hornchurch)	Broadway (Barking)	
Capacity	315	548	505	341	
Hire Cost per hour	£136.00	£150.00	£141.25	£115.00	
Duty Manager / Front of house	£19.25	£7.50			
Total	£155.25	£157.50	£141.25	£115.00	
Total per seat	£0.49	£0.29	£0.28	£0.34	
VAT included	N	N	N	N	
<b>Saturday Evening</b>					
Venue	Thameside Theatre	Towngate Theatre (Basildon)	Queen's Theatre (Hornchurch)	Broadway (Barking)	
Capacity	315	548	505	341	
Hire Cost per hour	£217.00	£140.00	£141.25	£135.00	
Duty Manager / Front of house	£15.40	£7.50			
Total	£232.40	£147.50	£141.25	£135.00	
Total per seat	£0.74	£0.27	£0.28	£0.40	
VAT included	N	N	N	N	
Notes:	Cost includes front of house staff; two technicians and basic sound and lighting.	For comparison charge includes compulsory cost of duty manager for performances. Technical provision is not known.	Cost includes technical staff and front of house staff. There is a higher charge for the first night performance while non-performance time is charged at a lower rate	Cost includes the hire of front of house staff and one technician. To hire a second (and have the same number as provided at the Thameside Theatre costs an additional £20 per hour)	