

LBHF Prompt Payment of First Tier/Prime Supplier Invoices

Financial Year	%age of Invoices paid within 30 days (by invoice #)*	%age of Invoices paid within 30 days (by invoice value)	Late Payment Interest actually paid to suppliers (£)**	Interest liable to be paid to suppliers*** (£)
2015/16	77.23%	92.72%	2,675.81	
2016/17	84.40%	91.90%	2,861.54	320,447.67

Notes

*The data presented here is based on invoices registered within the Council's Accounts Payable system. The time taken to pay is calculated from the date an invoice is first registered in the system. The data excludes payments to individuals (such as foster carers or transfer payments etc.), schools and other government bodies and items understood to in dispute at the end of the financial year.

**Based on items recorded as late payment charges in the Council's general ledger

***This is the maximum potential liability for penalty interest based on the application of the statutory interest for late payment, defined as 8% + BOE Base Rate, applied to all prime/first-tier contractor supplier invoices paid in excess of 30 days from the registration date. In practice, invoices would need to be considered on a case by case basis to determine if there has been a dispute, late receipt of associated goods or non-compliance with the Council's invoice procedures. These factors would likely mean the actual liability is lower than that stated here.