Dear Legal Aid Group Member,

Certain court fees will increase from 30 September 2021 pursuant to The Court Fees (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2021, Part 2 of which makes amendments to several Court Fees Orders including The Civil Proceedings Fees Order 2008 and The New EX50 form is attached for ease of reference.

The detailed assessment fees for non-family (civil) proceedings increase including legal aid detailed assessment which is now £237.

However, except for application for a default costs certificate, detailed assessment fees for family proceedings remain as they are. The legal aid assessment fee for family therefore remains at £94, having been reduced from £200 from 3rd August 2020 pursuant to <u>The Court Fees (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2020</u> following a review of civil and family fees for 2018/19 which found a number of fees to be higher than the actual administrative cost of the service.

The LAA is yet to respond to the full public consultation on the removal of court assessments for legal aid costs, so the current arrangements continue.

Kind regards,

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