

Costs: In relation to “summary only” road traffic offences (e.g. no insurance, driving with excess alcohol, speeding) which can be dealt with at one hearing, we charge £360 if the relevant Magistrates’ Court is within 50 miles of our offices, £500 if it is more than 50 miles but less than 100 and £750 for anywhere else in England and Wales. The work done will be carried out by a solicitor or barrister. It will usually be carried out by Mr Hyatt who qualified as a solicitor in 2004 and since then has practised exclusively in criminal law. He also supervises all our criminal defence work and is a Duty Solicitor.

On occasions we may instruct an agent to undertake the work and, if so, will inform you beforehand of whom we propose to instruct and details of their experience and qualifications. We will do that in good time to ensure you can make an informed choice as to whether or not to proceed.

The fees quoted above are all fixed fees and are inclusive of VAT. So, £360 is £300 plus £60 VAT, £500 is £416.67 plus £83.33 VAT and £750 is £625 plus £125 VAT. There is no extra charge for travel (e.g. train fare, mileage) as that is included in the fee. There would rarely be any other disbursements but if there are, we will inform you in advance.

The fee will include one attendance upon you in advance of the hearing to take appropriate details from you in relation to the offence, representing you at the hearing and advising you after the hearing as to whether or not you ought to consider an appeal in relation to the outcome.

Please contact our criminal law team if you wish us to represent you in relation to any matter. We can advise you if your case is likely to be dealt with at one hearing and if it is not, we can advise you what the likely costs will be.