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Sandbanks Ferry Toll charges - 01 April 2026 to 31 March 2027

Following the approval of toll increases by the Department for Transport, the Sandbanks Ferry Company has confirmed toll charges for the forthcoming year.

Mike Kean, Chairman of the Sandbanks Ferry Company, said: "We greatly value the support from our customers and community, whose continued custom supports the long-term future of the ferry crossing.

"We would also like to advise our customers that effective from 1st April 2026, the Sandbanks Ferry Company will be going fully cashless for all classes of toll, including pedestrians and cycles. From this date on, we will be unable to accept cash payment for any type of travel.

"The implementation of cashless operations is part of a wider movement across the company to create operational and cost efficiencies."

The table below sets out the current toll charges for all classes of travel, and those with effect from 00:01 on Wednesday 1st April 2026.

Class Description	Until Tuesday 31 March 2026	01 April 2026 to 31 March 2027
Pedestrian (free from Shell Bay to Sandbanks)	£1.00	£1.18
Pedal or Motor Cycle	£1.00	£1.18
Passenger Vehicle < 16 persons (cars)	£5.40	£6.26
Passenger Vehicle > 16 persons (coaches)	£10.80	£12.52
Goods Vehicle < 3,500kgs (small vans)	£5.40	£6.26
Goods Vehicle 3,500kgs – 20,000kgs (trucks)	£10.80	£12.52
50 tickets for pedestrians	£45.00	£53.10
100 tickets for pedestrians	£85.00	£100.30
50 tickets for cycles	£45.00	£53.10
100 tickets for cycles	£85.00	£100.30
10 SFTC passes for Motor Cars	£38.88	£41.94
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10 SFTC passes for Goods Vehicles (trucks)	£77.76	£83.88
50 SFTC passes for Goods Vehicles (trucks)	£367.20	£396.26
10 SFTC passes for Buses & Coaches	£77.76	£83.88
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Bulk purchases of vehicle passes are available for holders of the Sandbanks Ferry Travel Card (SFTC), which are available free of charge from the Ferry Office. Bulk purchases of pedestrian and cycle tickets are also available to purchase from the Ferry Office.

More information on the transition to cashless operations will be published on The Sandbanks Ferry website and social channels in due course.

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