



Walsall Council

Social Care Community Based Contributions Policy

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Introduction

1. Unlike health care, adults have always had to pay, or contribute towards the cost of social care. By social care we mean services and support, such as domiciliary care, direct payments, respite, extra care, personal assistants, placements and personal budgets, which support adults to remain independent at home and residential care when they are no longer able to remain independent at home. Councils have used the contributions adults have paid towards the cost of these services, to reinvest in social care services that they would otherwise not be able to provide.
2. This document sets out Walsall Council's policy on how adults, who are eligible for social care and support and their carers, contribute towards the cost of those services, which support local people to remain independent at home, that is for 'community based' social care services. Our new policy reflects major changes in the way local authorities are providing social care. It is based on Government legislation and national guidance, most notably the Care Act 2014 and is underpinned by core principles to ensure it is fair, equitable, and based on the ability to pay. The Care Act 2014 introduces a new charging framework for care and support. Section 14 of the Care Act 2014 provides local authorities with a power to charge for care and support provided to adults. This includes a power to charge for carers' services: the Care Act 2014 introduces a carer's legal right to both assessment and support to meet eligible needs. Walsall Council in principle approved a charge for carers' services, but in practice will not apply a charge for carer's services.
3. There is a separate policy setting out how adults contribute towards the cost of residential care services.
4. We have set out the policy as simply as possible. Financial affairs can be complicated but it is important that everyone can understand how the contribution they are asked to make has been arrived at, as this will support an adults' ability to have greater control over their finances and ultimately, over how they live their lives.

Legislation and guidance underpinning our policy

5. The policy has been prepared in accordance with the following government legislation and guidance:
 - **The Care Act 2014, specifically sections:**
 - 14 – Power of Local Authority to Charge;
 - 17 – Assessment of Financial Resources;
 - 69 – Recovery of Charges, Interest etc;
 - 70 – Transfer of Assets to Avoid Charges;
 - 72 – Part 1 Appeals
 - The relevant regulations and, in particular, the Care and Support (Charging and Assessment of Resources) Regulations 2014;
 - The Care and Support Statutory Guidance and in particular, chapter 8 entitled 'Charging and financial assessment' and Annexes B-E, which the Council is required to act under, pursuant to section 78 Care Act 2014.

Contribution Principles

6. In order to comply with the requirements of the Care Act 2014, this policy seeks:
 - To be comprehensive to reduce variation in assessment and charge;
 - To be clear, transparent and applied equally;
To promote wellbeing, social inclusion and supports the vision of personalisation, independence, choice and control;
 - To be focused, reflecting the variety of care and caring journeys and the variety of options available to meet their needs;
 - To enable and encourage those who wish to stay in/take up employment, education or training is sustainable for local authorities.

7. The Council adopts the following over-arching principles to ensure fair contributions from adults:
 - Contributions from adults will be fair and reasonable and calculated with their input through an individual financial assessment;
 - To ensure that adults contribute only what they can reasonably afford, adults will retain at least their basic Income Support or Pension Credit Guarantee level, plus a buffer of 25%, before they are asked to make any contributions towards the costs of their care;
 - Contributions will not exceed either the cost of services to be provided or, if lower, 90% of an adult's 'disposable income';
 - The Council has the power to make an additional charge for the cost of arranging services in the following situations: where an adult's resources exceed the financial limit, but they ask the Council to meet their needs anyway; or where an adult's resources exceed the financial limit, but their carer requests the Council to meet their needs anyway. The Council at this point has decided not to exercise its power in charging additionally for the cost of arranging services. Contributions will therefore not be required for the cost of arranging services, these will be funded by the Council.

The Council will take into account the following principles when making decisions on charging:

- ensure that adults are not charged more than it is reasonably practicable for them to pay;
- be comprehensive, to reduce variation in the way people are assessed and charged;
- be clear and transparent, so people know what they will be charged;
- promote wellbeing, social inclusion, and support the vision of personalisation, independence, choice and control;
- support carers to look after their own health and wellbeing and to care effectively and safely;
- be person-focused, reflecting the variety of care and caring journeys and the variety of options available to meet their needs;
- apply the charging rules equally so those with similar needs or services are treated the same and minimise anomalies between different care settings;
- encourage and enable those who wish to stay in or take up employment, education or training or plan for the future costs of meeting their needs to do so; and
- be sustainable for local authorities in the long-term.

The following services will be exempt from charging:

- Intermediate care, including reablement for up to six weeks;
 - Care and support provided to people with Creutzfeldt-Jacob Disease;
 - Aids and minor adaptations of less than £1000;
 - NHS Services;
 - After care and support provided under section 117 Mental Health Act 1983;
 - Service's that the Council is required to provide under other Acts.
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- Benefits advice will be available to adults through the assessment process and will ensure that they have access to full benefits and entitlements.
 - Services to meet assessed needs will not be refused or withdrawn if an adult does not pay their assessed contribution, or lodges an appeal against the assessed contribution. However, debt recovery (including court action) may be pursued for all outstanding verified contributions.
 - Transport is excluded from this policy and is covered by the Assisted Transport Policy, whereby transport costs are classed as an everyday expense for all people and as such should be met through personal resources or associated benefits.
 - Application of a flat rate charge is applied for preventive services, namely the Community Alarms Services, where a fee of £2.90 per week is applied to everyone irrespective of age, subject to receiving an income equivalent to basic pension credit.
 - All equipment and minor adaptations costing less than a £1000 are provided free of charge. Packages of equipment and adaptations costing more than £1500 are classified as Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG) and would therefore, go through the relevant process for a DFG application.

Calculating a fair contribution

8. Our procedures for determining how much an adult or their carer should contribute to the cost of their care can be broken down into six steps, as detailed below. The first three steps cover assessing the need for community based social care services, allocating a personal budget or services and assessing individual financial circumstances, to determine ability to contribute to social care services. The final three steps cover how Walsall Council will collect the contribution, the process for reviewing any contributions over time and the appeals procedure.

Step 1 - Assessing need

9. When an adult first comes into contact with the Council, they will be offered an assessment of their need ('needs assessment') for social care services. The assessment covers various aspects of the adults' lives such as the need for support with personal care and other day to day activities, health and well-being, sense of personal safety, contact with others, and what support relatives, friends or neighbours provide.

10. At the time of the assessment, the Council must establish whether the adult has the capacity to take part in the assessment. If the adult lacks capacity, the Council must find out if the adult has any of the following as the appropriate adult will need to be involved:

- Enduring Power of Attorney (EPA);
- Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) for Property and Affairs;
- Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) for Health and Welfare;
- Property and Affairs Deputyship under the Court of Protection; or
- Any other adult dealing with that adult's affairs (for example someone who has been given appointee-ship by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) for the purpose of benefits payments).

Adults' who lack capacity to give consent to a financial assessment and who do not have any of the above people with authority to be involved in their affairs, may require the appointment of a Property and Affairs Deputyship. Family members can apply for this to the Court of Protection or the Council can apply if there is no family involved in the care of the adult. While this takes some weeks, it then enables the adult appointed to access information about bank accounts and financial affairs.

11. The eligibility threshold for adults, is set out in the Care and Support (Eligibility Criteria) Regulations 2014 (the 'Eligibility Regulations'). The threshold is based on identifying how an adult's needs affect their ability to achieve relevant outcomes and how this impacts on their wellbeing.
12. If an adult's needs meets the Council's eligibility criteria for community based social care services, the Council will undertake an assessment of the adult's ability to contribute to the cost of their care. This is done through a Financial Assessment, which will be undertaken by a member of the Welfare Rights Team.
13. Where an adult has a representative, i.e. Deputy, Power of Attorney or Appointee that deals with their financial affairs, they must be present at the visit to sign the documentation. If there is no legal representative, an adult may wish to have a carer, relative or friend present.
14. Financial information will be gathered and recorded on a Financial Assessment Form, which must be signed by the adult or their representative. This information will be utilised by the Council to calculate the adult's ability to contribute towards the cost of their care.
15. If, following a financial assessment, an adult is found to have sufficient funds to meet the full cost of their care themselves (that they can fund their own care), the adult is still entitled to ask the Council to commission and organise care and support services, on their behalf.
16. Where an adult does not meet the Council's eligibility criteria for community based social care services, they will be given information and advice about other sources of support including, where appropriate, mainstream services and voluntary sector services.

Step 2 - Assessment of your financial situation – and working out the maximum contribution

17. The Financial Assessment process is all about calculating what an adult can afford (if anything) to contribute towards the cost of any social care services that they may receive.

The Financial Assessment Process

18. The Financial Assessment process involves collecting financial information which will allow the Council to make an assessment of an adult's ability to contribute towards the cost of their care.

19. The Council will first calculate an adult's assessable income (section A below). From that figure the Council will subtract both allowances and disregards (section B below) and disability related expenditure and housing costs (see section C). The figure at the end of this calculation will be the adult's "disposable income". The maximum charge for services will either be the cost to provide such services, or if lower, 90% of the adult's disposable income.

A. Assessable Income

20. The financial assessment process will look at the total income an adult has available to make a contribution. National guidance dictates that we include certain sources of income and exclude other sources of income.

21. The following income will be taken into account in the financial assessment process:

- Attendance Allowance including Constant Attendance Allowance and Exceptionally Severe Disablement Allowance
- Bereavement Allowance
- Carer's Allowance
- Disability Living Allowance (Care Component)
- Employment and Support Allowance
- Incapacity Benefit
- Income Support
- Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit or equivalent benefits
- Jobseekers' Allowance
- Maternity Allowance
- Pension Credit
- Personal Independence Payment (Daily Living Component)
- Severe Disability Premium
- State Pension
- Universal Credit
- Working Tax Credit
- Where a Social Security benefit payment has been reduced (other than a reduction because of voluntary unemployment), the amount taken into account should be the gross amount of the benefit before reduction
- All Annuity Income (other than where it is purchased with a loan secured on the person's main or only home, or a gallantry award (see attached link: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/315993/Care-Act-Guidance.pdf)

22. Schedule 1 to the 2014 Regulations and Statutory Guidance details sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income – (see attached link: <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2014/23/schedule/1/enacted>)

23. The following income will be disregarded in the financial assessment process:

- Christmas Bonus;
- Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance or the Personal Independence Payment; Mobility Supplement of War Disablement Pension;
- Other War Widows Pension - £10 disregard applies;
- Payments from the Independent Living Fund;
- The night care component of DLA / Attendance Allowance (unless services are provided during the night);
- The Savings Credit element of Pension Credit;
- Trust Funds;
- Wages / Earnings (including income from self-employment);
- War Widows or Widowers Special Payments

24. Adults will be entitled to receive a free welfare benefit check which will be completed to enable receipt of full benefit entitlement.

Capital / Savings

25. Savings will be considered in the following ways:

- £0 - £14,250 - This will be disregarded
- £14,250 - £23,250 - This is taken into account in full to calculate tariff income. Tariff income is calculated at a rate of £1 for every £250 or part thereof on capital between £14,250 and £23,250
- Over £23,250 - Required to pay the actual cost of the services provided (see attached link https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/315993/Care-Act-Guidance.pdf)

26. Capital will include cash, savings and other forms of investments, as outlined in the 2014 Regulations and Statutory Guidance (specifically Annex B) https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/315993/Care-Act-Guidance.pdf

27. The capital value of an adult's home will not normally be taken into account in the financial assessment, where they continue to occupy the dwelling as their home. The capital value of any other property owned or part owned by the will be regarded as capital. All decisions about the treatment of property will be made in accordance with the 2014 Regulations and Statutory Guidance provisions.

28. The Care Act implementation year 2, April 2016, will introduce a revision to capped care costs. This policy will be duly revised in line with Care Act requirements in this regard.

Deprivation of Capital

29. If an adult has deprived himself or herself of capital or an asset with the intention of avoiding or reducing the charge, this will be treated as the adult still possessing the asset.
30. The question of deprivation of capital should only be considered when the adult ceases to possess capital which would otherwise have been taken into account.
31. If an adult knowingly reduces their capital with the intention of avoiding or reducing the charge (for example by excessive spending or gifting), this will be taken into account in the assessment and the contribution may be calculated as if that adult still holds the capital that has been disposed of. The Council will apply the approach detailed in Regulation 70 of the 2014 Regulations and Statutory Guidance Act.
https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/315993/Care-Act-Guidance.pdf
32. Ownership: The Authority will decide from available evidence whether the adult owned the capital and if applicable, the timing of a disposal prior to the provision of care services.
33. Has deprivation occurred? It is up to the adult to prove that they no longer have a resource. Failure to do so will result in the Authority treating the adult as if they still possess the actual capital.
34. Examples of acceptable evidence of disposal of capital would include:
 - A trust deed
 - Deed of gift
 - Receipts for expenditure
 - Proof that debt has been repaid.

B. Allowances and Disregards

35. All adults will retain income equivalent to their basic Income support or Pension Credit Guarantee level plus 25% as 'Protected Income', which is included in the assessment calculation.
36. The personal disregard will be calculated by adding together:
 - Basic Income Support Allowance;
 - Age related disability or other premiums;
 - A buffer of 25%, based on the total amount of the basic income support allowance Employment and Support Allowance including carer premium where applicable;
 - An allowance in respect of Maintenance Orders determined by the Court or Child Support Agency;
 - Where an adult lives with another carer other than his/her spouse or partner no Housing Related expenditure will be given as it is assumed that any contributions toward household spending will be made from the adult's personal allowance disregard;
 - An allowance will be applied to cover house insurance costs.
37. It is expected that the basic income support allowance will cover costs such as:
 - Food

- Drink
- Hairdressing
- Bedding
- Clothes
- Spectacles
- Dentistry
- Alternative Therapy/Treatment
- Physiotherapy and other treatments/services/products normally available on the NHS
- Items available on Prescription
- Utility bills such as gas, electricity and telephone (landline and mobile)
- Internet
- Water Rates
- Window Cleaners
- TV Licence and subscriptions to satellite or digital TV companies
- Repair and replacement of household items
- Repair and maintenance of Buildings
- Gardening – other than Basic Gardening costs allowable under Disability Related Expenditure
- Other expenditure such as personal debt (including County Court Judgements) and arrears

38. This list is neither exhaustive nor exclusive

Welfare Benefits

39. It is important that you are provided advice and information on the benefits available to you in order to maximise your entitlements.
40. Walsall Council offers benefits advice as part of their financial assessment process to make sure you maximise your entitlements.
41. If necessary, assistance will be provided to complete any benefit forms.

C. Disability Related Expenditure (DRE)

42. If an adult incurs additional expenses due to their disability, additional allowances can be given to reflect the additional cost. The adult's Support Plan should identify disabilities or medical conditions, that indicate that additional allowances should be given.
43. Disability related expenditure is applied based on a standard allowance approach, with an option for an individual assessment. A graduated scheme is in place linked to

percentage based on Disability Living Allowance benefit received. A 10% DRE component is applied against each of the three rates detailed below:

- Care Component Lowest
- Care Component Middle Rate
- Care Component Highest Rate

44. An individual assessment will be considered, when DRE costs greater than the above, on an exception, evidenced based and case by case basis. Receipts may be requested for all items/services when a reassessment of charge is carried out or there is a dispute in the amount of any DRE allowed by the Welfare Rights Officer.
45. Additional Personal Assistance/Care costs not provided by the Council, will only be allowed if carried out by a registered Agency, or evidence to show that they are formally registered with HMRC. Receipts must also be provided, together with a list outlining duties undertaken, which will be checked against the Support Plan to ensure duplication of tasks are not being carried out.
46. Any monies paid to family, friends (or “cash in hand” to unregistered companies/sole traders) for providing additional personal care/assistance will not be allowed in the financial assessment.
47. If there is a duplication of care being provided privately and by the Council, no DRE will be given for that particular service item.
48. If the adult requests any additional items/services be included in the assessment after the financial assessment has been undertaken and the adult has been advised of their weekly contributions, receipts and supporting evidence will be required.
49. No allowances will be given for:
- Alternative therapy/treatments.
 - Medication/Drugs, Physiotherapy, treatments or products(for example - incontinence items) which should be available from the National Health Service.

This list is neither exhaustive nor exclusive

D. Disposable Income / Maximum Contribution

50. When all of the adult’s allowances and disability related expenditure have been calculated, they will be deducted from his/her total Assessable Income. This will give an amount of Disposable Income.
51. The contribution levied will be equivalent to 90% percent of disposable income or cost of service, whichever is the lowest.

Couples and Civil Partnerships

52. Couples and Civil Partnerships will not be assessed according to joint resources, but each individual will be assessed in their own right.

Step 3 - Calculating the contribution and notification

53. Once a personal budget has been agreed, the financial contribution can be finalised and confirmed in writing with the adult.
54. Where adults have not co-operated with collecting the financial assessment information (or choose not to sign the document as described in step 2) it will be assumed that the adult has the ability to pay the full cost of their care.
55. Contributions will normally apply from the date of assessment, however we reserve the right to require contributions from the date service commences, if there is any unnecessary delay caused by the receipt of care and support services.
56. This new system is intended to inform adults up front what money they are entitled to from the Council for their support and how much they will have to contribute themselves.

Step 4 - Collection of contributions

57. Where an adult receives their Personal Budget in the form of a Direct Payment to pay for their support, any contribution payable will be netted off before payment is made.
58. Where services are purchased by the Council on behalf of the adult, an invoice will be issued 4 weekly in arrears for any contributions payable.
59. The Council's preferred method for income collection is by Direct Debit.

Non Compliance and Recovery action

60. Recovery action will be taken where non payment occurs. Follow up reminders and recovery action will be taken on all outstanding unpaid invoices.
61. Unpaid contributions will only be written off where there are insufficient monies within an estate for recovery to take place.
62. The Council will at all times require adults to pay the assessed contribution.
63. The overall approach will be to obtain current compliance while at the same time working with any adults experiencing difficulty in making payment.
64. Whilst an adult's personal circumstances will be considered with sensitivity, to ensure fairness to those adults who pay the required financial contribution, non-payment will be handled in line with the Council's overall policy on unpaid invoices. Any adult failing to pay or refusing to pay the assessed contribution, who is unable to come to an arrangement with the Council about payment, will be subject to a financial recovery approach consistent with Section 69 and Annex A of the 2014 Regulation and Statutory Guidance (see attached link)
https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/315993/Care-Act-Guidance.pdf
65. Any adult refusing to provide financial information will be required to contribute the full cost of any services provided.
66. Any unpaid sum can be recovered as a debt.

67. The Council is entitled to recover the costs incurred by it in recovering or seeking to recover the sum due.

Variation to planned provision and contributions

68. The adult's support plan will outline the components of service/s and the cost of these services. Contributions will be calculated on the basis of planned service provision and applied on a weekly basis.

69. Variations to planned service will occur from time to time for a variety of reasons, such as:

- where an adult is unwell;
- where an adult is away visiting relatives and does not require a homecare service.

70. A reduction of the assessed weekly contribution will only be considered if:

- The adult has given reasonable notice (at least 12 hours) of absence for example: due to holidays, planned hospital stay etc; or
- The adult has been admitted to hospital or short term care, in an emergency or other similar circumstance.

71. Where appropriate when a planned service is not delivered, e.g. a domiciliary care provider does not arrive, the adult should notify the Brokerage Team, who will in turn notify the Financial Administration Team. In this instance a reduction of assessed weekly contribution would only apply, if care hours delivered are valued at less than the adult's assessed weekly contribution.

72. In cases where the adult has concerns about the quality or nature of the service provided, concerns should be raised directly with Social Care Department, so the appropriate procedure can be applied in order to reach a resolution.

Step 5 - Review of Contributions

73. The Financial Assessment of an adult's ability to contribute towards the cost of their social care will be reviewed at least annually and earlier if there are significant changes in either the financial circumstances of the adult or the amount of care they receive. Adults have a duty to notify the Financial Administration Team, if there is a change to their financial circumstances.

Change in Financial Circumstances

74. The adult or their carer must inform the Council's Financial Administration Team, if there is a change in their financial circumstances (**this includes any state benefit awards including universal credit award**), as this may result in an adjustment to contribution that is required.

75. Any additional contributions identified in a reassessment of charges will be backdated to the date of the change in the financial circumstances.

76. Adult's contributions will be adjusted each year and the effective date will be in line with Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) and HM Revenue and Customs changes.

77. A standard amount or percentage increase will be levied in line with DWP changes or inflation rates to avoid unnecessary paper work being completed by the adult.
78. The adult will be offered an individual reassessment if they believe there is a valid and specific reason why there should not be a standard increase in their contributions; in these cases the adult will be asked to complete a reassessment form themselves. We are not able to offer a face to face visit in the adult's home unless it is deemed necessary by a Welfare Rights Officer.

Step 6 - Appeals Procedure

79. Adults have the right to ask the Council for a review of a contribution for which they have been assessed, if they consider that they cannot pay it.
80. Adults or their representative may request for a review of a contribution or appeal against a contribution in full or part, which will be carried out by Senior Officers of the Council.
81. This may happen either when initial assessment or annual review has taken place or when an individual's circumstances change.

Appendix 1

Appeals Process - Charging Policy for Community Based Social Services

Where an adult believes that either their assessed contribution is incorrect, unreasonable, or that it would cause financial hardship, the adult has a right to challenge the Council's decision to charge.

STAGE 1 REVIEW

Stage 1 of the appeals process will be undertaken through a review process. The adult has 1 calendar month from the date of their contribution notification letter to request a detailed review of their charge and circumstances.

The adult will have their charge and financial assessment reviewed by an Independent Officer, other than the one who completed the original assessment and charging calculations. The Officer will be a Senior Officer within the Welfare Rights section of Walsall Council. The adult will be notified of the outcome of their review within 10 working days of receipt of the original request. This could result in a changed / amended contribution, for example adjustment to elements of the contribution such as Disability Related Expenditure.

STAGE 2 REVIEW

If the adult is not satisfied with the outcome of their review, they may within 1 calendar month of the outcome of the review, formally appeal against their contribution. The appeal will be heard at an appeals panel, constituting a Senior Welfare Rights Officer, an Officer from Charging and Payments Team and a Team Manager and/or Service Manager from Social Care and Inclusion. The panel will meet within 15 working days of an adult's request for an appeal. The appeals panel will consider the appeal together with the assessment process and calculation of contribution due and will make a decision as to whether or not to uphold the appeal. The adult and/or their representative are entitled to attend the appeals hearing and will be notified in writing of the outcome of the appeal panel's decision within 15 working days of the appeal panel meeting.

The appeal panel has the authority for the adjustment of the contributions up to delegated levels within Social Care and Inclusion

- Team Manager up to £5000
- Service Manager up to £10000
- Assistant Director / Executive Director over £100000

Any write off of Debts must be agreed by the Council Section 151 Officer, the Assistant Director of Finance.

Court of Protection Fees

Fees for acting as court appointed deputy are fixed and are set by the Court of Protection.

These include:

- An annual management fee. In the first year this would be £700 (plus VAT) and for the second and subsequent years the charge would be £585 (plus VAT). Where an adult has assets of less than £16,000 the annual management fee would be 3% of the adults net assets. The management fees would be payable on the anniversary of the court order;
- An annual property management fee of £270 (plus VAT) to cover the work involved in preparing a property for sale, instructing agents etc. or the on-going maintenance of a property; and
- A fee of £195 (plus VAT) for the preparation and lodgement of an annual report or account to the Public Guardian.

Community Alarms Service Charges

The Community Alarms Service charge is £2.90 per week and is applied to all adults; unless they receive incomes equivalent to basic pension credit.

Appendix 2

Breakdown of service costs

AVERAGE - UNIT RATES - CHARGING POLICY

HOME CARE - STANDARD - OLDER PEOPLE	SERVICE CATEGORY	COST (Average)	Rate Basis
Average rate Older people	Home care	£11.90	PER HOUR
RESPIRE - OLDER PEOPLE AND OLDER PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA	SERVICE CATEGORY	COST (Average)	Rate Basis
Older people	Respite	£52.16	PER NIGHT
Older people with Dementia	Respite	£54.79	PER NIGHT
RESPIRE - COMPLEX NEEDS - EXTERNAL	SERVICE CATEGORY	COST (Average)	Rate Basis
Learning Disability, Physical Disability or Sensory Impairment - Standard Complexity	Larger Home – Standard Complexity	£52.16	PER NIGHT
Learning Disability, Physical Disability or Sensory Impairment - Higher Complexity	Higher Complexity	£80.94	PER NIGHT
Residential – Learning Disability, Physical Disability or Sensory Impairment	Highest Complexity	£175.56	PER NIGHT
IN HOUSE RESPITE - complex needs	SERVICE CATEGORY	COST (Average)	Rate Basis
Fallings Heath	Complex respite care	£335.72	PER NIGHT
PERSONAL ASSISTANTS	SERVICE CATEGORY	COST (Average)	Rate Basis
Personal assistants	Personal assistants	£8.50	PER HOUR
IN HOUSE DAY SERVICES - COMPLEX NEEDS	SERVICE CATEGORY	COST (Average)	Rate Basis
Satellite Units - Basic Complex needs	Day support	£34.55	PER DAY

Goscote - Higher Complex needs	Day support	£120.34	PER DAY
COMMUNITY ALARMS	SERVICE CATEGORY	COST (Average)	Rate Basis
COMMUNITY ALARMS	Community Alarms	£2.90	PER WEEK
EXTRA CARE HOUSING	SERVICE CATEGORY	COST (Average)	Rate Basis
COMMISSIONED EXTRA CARE HOUSING	Extra care	£74.87	PER WEEK
HOUSING 21	Extra care	dependent on Individual Budget	PER WEEK
COMPLEX CARE - SUPPORTED LIVING AND HOME CARE	SERVICE CATEGORY	COST (Average)	Rate Basis
Basic Complex	Complex Home care and supported living	£10.75	PER HOUR
Intermediate Complex	Complex Home care and supported living	£14.00	PER HOUR
Forensic Complex	Complex Home care and supported living	£20.75	PER HOUR
Specialist Physical Disabilities and Health needs - Including Autism	Complex Home care and supported living	£27.50	PER HOUR
COMPLEX - DAY CARE - EXTERNAL	SERVICE CATEGORY	COST (Average)	Rate Basis
Complex Day care	Daily rate	£70.00	PER DAY

PART 2 - PLACEMENTS

PLACEMENTS DAY CARE	
LENGTH OF STAY	FEE PAID £6.19/hr
0 – 2 Hours	£12.38
2.15 – 3 Hours	£18.57
3.15 – 4 Hours	£24.76
4.15 - 5 Hours	£30.95
5.15 - 6 Hours	£37.14

6.15 – 7 Hours	£43.33
7.15 – 8 Hours	£49.52
Above 8 Hours	£61.90

PLACEMENTS - OVERNIGHT SHORT BREAKS			
Number of Nights	Low rate of DLA Care	Medium rate of DLA Care	Higher rate of DLA Care
1 Night	69.75	81.36	92.97
2 Night	104.6	122.04	139.46
3 Night	139.47	162.72	185.95
4 Night	174.35	203.4	232.43
5 Night	209.22	244.08	278.92
6 Night	244.08	284.76	325.41
7 Night	278.95	325.45	371.89

PLACEMENTS - MILEAGE	
MILES	Per Mile
PLACEMENTS - MILEAGE £0.40P per mile	£0.40
PLACEMENTS - ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS AND TRAINING	
0 – 2 Hours	£12.38
2:15 – 3 Hours	£18.57
3:15 – 4 Hours	£24.76
4.15 – 5 Hours	£30.95
5.15 – 6 Hours	£37.14
6.15 – 7 Hours	£43.33
7.15 – 8 Hours	£49.52
Above 8 Hours	£61.90

- Note - Average Unit rates - Actual costs will vary dependent on individual circumstances