

Decision No: CMM – 6

Forward Plan No: N/A

This record relates to Agenda Item 51 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: COUNCILLOR KEN NORMAN

PORTFOLIO AREA: ADULT SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH

SUBJECT: INDEPENDENT SECTOR CARE HOME AND DOMICILIARY CARE FEE INCREASES 2009/10

AUTHOR: AMBROSE PAGE

THE DECISION

- (1) That it be approved that City Older People and OPMH care home providers who are eligible for inclusion on the Preferred Provider Scheme be awarded a 3.5% increase. That it be approved that providers who do not qualify for inclusion on the Preferred Provider Scheme be awarded a 2.5% increase (see Appendices 1 and 2), subject to agreement of the 2009/10 budget package. The 2.5% increase constitutes the inflationary increase, whereas the additional 1% is for quality.
- (2) That an inflationary award of 2.5% is awarded to the following, subject to agreement of the 2009/10 budget package:
 - Those in Older People and OPMH care homes who do not qualify for inclusion in the Preferred Provider Scheme.
 - Out of City Older People and OPMH care homes.
 - Those care homes providing services for other categories of care where there are no set rates, excluding learning disability services.
 - Domiciliary care agencies providing services for all categories of care.
 - Direct Payment rates.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

- (1) Fairer Contracting, by paying a fair rate with a fair contract is intended to secure local care home provision for local Older People and OPMH.
- (2) At the same time it is intended to drive up quality and make savings for the Primary Care Trust through bringing Continuing Care fees more in line with the Council's fee rates.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- (1) Preferred Provider Schemes in use elsewhere in the Country were examined. Providers' comments on alternative Schemes were considered.
- (2) There is the opportunity to do nothing. If this were the case it is unlikely that providers would have the resources of the impetus to drive up quality to the standards needed locally. The current good relationships between purchasers and providers would be damaged and the costs of Continuing Healthcare would remain high.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:

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Date:

22 January 2009

Decision Maker:

Councillor Ken Norman
Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care &
Health

Signed:



Proper Officer:

22 January 2009

Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services

Signed:



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Call-In Period
29 January 2009

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*

Decision No: CMM – 7

Forward Plan No: N/A

This record relates to Agenda Item 52 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: COUNCILLOR KEN NORMAN

PORTFOLIO AREA: ADULT SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH

SUBJECT: ADULT SOCIAL CARE PERFORMANCE REPORT

AUTHOR: PHILIP LETCHFIELD

THE DECISION

- (1) That the report of the Commission for Social Care & Inspection be noted.
- (2) That the Improvement Plan be approved.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

- (1) It is a requirement of the regulations that the Annual Performance Report is presented in a public meeting of the Council.
- (2) The Improvement Plan is a key document in the national and local performance management of Adult Social Care.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- (1) None.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

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Decision No: CMM – 9

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RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: COUNCILLOR KEN NORMAN

PORTFOLIO AREA: ADULT SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH

SUBJECT: ANNUAL REVIEW OF ADULT SOCIAL CARE CHARGING POLICY

AUTHOR: ANGIE EMERSON

THE DECISION

- (1) That increased charges for inclusion within the budget 2009/10 package be approved for Cabinet's agreement. The recommended maximum charging rates for non residential services for 2009/10 are shown below and are effective from 6th April 2009.

	From	To:
Home care	£19 per hour	£20 per hour
Day care	£20 per day	£22 per day
Transport charge	£1.80 per return journey	£2.00 per rtn journey
Meals charges	£2.90 per meal	No Change
Direct Payments	Actual cost subject to maximum weekly charge	

(Note that all of the above services may be provided or funded through Individual Budgets).

- (2) That a maximum weekly charge be agreed for new service users, for non residential services of £850 per week (previously £750).
- (3) That it be agreed that existing service users paying the current maximum rates be protected for one year to a maximum charge of £750 per week (see 3.2.2 – Option A).
- (4) That the maximum weekly charge for in-house residential care of £740.32 be agreed (previously £718.76).

REASON FOR THE DECISION

- (1) The Council is required to have an approved charging policy for Adult Social Care non-residential services and, in accordance with this policy, service users are required to contribute towards the cost in accordance with their personal financial circumstances. In April, each year, the service users' benefits increase and it is therefore timely and appropriate to review the policy and the charges.
- (2) The cost of service provision continues to rise and each April the council approves increased fee rates to our care providers. In order to help fund these additional costs it is appropriate to look to our service users to contribute a little more if their financial circumstances allow.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- (1) No Increase in charges would lead to a loss of income.
- (2) Higher increases would lead to an unfair burden on service users with higher savings and income.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

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