

Equality and Rights Impact Assessment

2015-2018 Budget Summary Report

Increase in charges for Council care homes for older people	
Option number	HSC3
Savings proposal	Increase in charges for Council care homes for older people
Division	Health and Social Care
Service area	Business Services
Description of savings proposal	
Increase charging for internal care homes by 5% on top of 3% already agreed for 2015/16 as part of the 2014 Budget, i.e. total increase would be 8% for self-funders. This will be the first step in reviewing the current charging structure for internal care homes - work is currently underway to review the unit cost framework for internal care homes to ensure they operate at a break-even point which could further increase the income from this service	

What are the main impacts of this option on rights?

There are no impacts on rights – any amount an individual is required to contribute to his or her care home fees is means-tested, following a financial assessment based on national statutory guidance.

What are the main impacts of this option on equality?

There are no impacts on equalities – as above

What are the main recommendations to address either the positive or negative impacts?

Health and Social Care to ensure that any changes in charges agreed by the Council at its Budget Meeting are communicated through channels that all service users and their families can access.

Sign Off (print name and position and contact details)

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Carbon Impact Assessment Template

BUDGET OPTION	HSC3: Increase in charges for Council care homes for older people			
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To record your assessment put an X in the appropriate columns below.				
COUNCIL CARBON EMISSIONS	IMPACTS			NOTES
	↓	↑	↔	
WASTE to landfill			X	No impacts
BUILDINGS energy usage			X	No impacts
INFRASTRUCTURE energy usage			X	No impacts
TRANSPORT fuel consumption			X	No impacts

↓ = *anticipated decrease in emissions*

↑ = *anticipated increase in emissions*

↔ = *no change anticipated*