DATE: 8TH NOVEMBER, 2016

Executive Board Member:	Portfolio:
Cllr. Jane Tremlett	Social Care & Health

SUBJECT AND PURPOSE

LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL CARE STANDARD CHARGE FOR 2016/17

RECOMMENDATIONS / KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:

That the Standard Charge for Local Authority Older People residential care homes be increased from £583.88 to £585.99 for Mainstream beds and from £768.78 to £791.48 for EMI beds.

For residents placed by this authority into our own Local Authority Homes the effective date for the new rates is 2nd January 2017. For those residents placed in our homes by other Local Authorities the effective date for the new charges to those authorities is the 11th April 2016.

REASONS:

Adults in residential accommodation are required to contribute to the cost of their care. Where they have sufficient resources they are required to pay the full cost of their accommodation, known as the Standard Charge which is calculated annually based on the full cost to the authority of providing the accommodation.

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Declaration of Personal Interest (if any): None Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any): N/A (If the answer is yes exact details are to be provided below:)		
	EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER	
Recommendation of Officer adopted	YES / NO	
Recommendation of the Officer was adopted subject to the amendment(s) and reason(s) specified:		
Reason(s) why the Officer's recommendation was not adopted :		



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS DECISION MEETING FOR SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH

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The overall budgeted costs for running the Authority's residential homes together with the number of beds available and the occupancy levels are the determining factors in calculating the annual Standard Charge.

For 2016/17 there has been no change in the number of Local Authority beds. Whilst staffing costs have increased these have been partly offset by a reduction in running expenses. As a result the charge for mainstream beds will increase by 0.36% and EMI beds by 2.95%.

Recommendation

•	The Standard Charge for Local Authority Older People residential care homes be
	increased from £583.88 to £585.99 for Mainstream beds and from £768.78 to £791.48 for
	EMI beds.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?	No





IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: Robin Staines Head of Housing, Public Protection and Care & Support

Policy and Crime & Disorder	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Organisational Development	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	YES	NONE	YES	NONE	NONE

3. Finance

The Standard Charge has been calculated on the basis of the full cost to the authority of providing the accommodation.

5. Risk Management Issues

As there continues to be a significant cost differential between the Local Authority and the Private Sector this could lead to a shift in placements from Local Authority homes into the Private Sector.



CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Robin Staines Head of Housing, Public Protection and Care & Support

N/A

2.Community / Town Council

N/A

3. Relevant Partners

N/A

4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

N/A

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THERE ARE NONE

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection