

WEDNESDAY, 5 MAY 2021

TO: THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER FOR SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH

I HEREBY SUMMON YOU TO ATTEND A VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH** WHICH WILL BE HELD AT **2.00 PM**, ON **TUESDAY, 11TH MAY, 2021** FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OUTLINED ON THE ATTACHED AGENDA.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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Note:- The press and public are not entitled to attend the meeting. The decision record will be published normally within 3 working days.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH

TUESDAY, 9 March 2021

PRESENT: Councillor: J. Tremlett (Executive Board Member).

The following officers were in attendance:

R. Page, Senior Business Support Manager
E. Bryer, Democratic Services Officer

Virtual Meeting - 10.00 - 10.20 am

1. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

There were no declarations of personal interest.

2. DECISION RECORD - 16TH JULY, 2020

RESOLVED that the decisions record of the meeting held on the 16th July 2020 be signed as a correct record.

3. NON-RESIDENTIAL CHARGING 2021-22

The Executive Board Member considered a report detailing the potential impact, and effect, of changes to charges for non-residential services and the need for charges in Carmarthenshire to increase in order to continue to maximise income.

To gain full cost recovery for 2020-21, and to align rates with other local authorities in Wales, it was proposed to increase Non-Residential charges for hourly charged services from £16.50 to £16.85 (2.12%) and Day Care and Adult Placement charges from £16.15 to £16.50 (2.17%).

It was noted that increasing charges would not necessarily increase income this year because the amount anyone can pay is controlled by the current Welsh Government "Cap" and Financial Assessment, but there may be a small marginal increase of income from the inflationary uplift applied to the full cost, small packages of care.

RESOLVED that Carmarthenshire increase its Non-Residential charges for hourly charged services by inflation from £16.50 to £16.85 (2.12%) and Day Care and Adult Placement sessional charges from £16.15 to £16.50 (2.17%) in order to recover as much revenue as possible within the rules set down by Welsh Government for 2021-22, and to align rates with other local authorities in Wales, and in particular to move closer to regional Local Authorities.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

DATE

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DATE: 11TH MAY 2021

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

SUBJECT AND PURPOSE

LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL CARE STANDARD CHARGE FOR 2021-2022

RECOMMENDATIONS / KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:

That the Standard Charge for Local Authority Older People residential care homes be increased from £641.21 to £654.06 for Mainstream beds and from £863.43 to £884.17 for EMI beds.

For residents placed by this authority into our own Local Authority Homes the effective date for the new rates is 28th June 2021. For those residents placed in our homes by other Local Authorities the effective date for the new charges to those authorities is the 12th April 2021.

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.

Directorate Communities	Designations:	E Mail Addresses:
Name of Head of Service: Jonathan Morgan	Head of Homes and Safer Communities	<u>JMorgan@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</u>
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Declaration of Personal Interest (if any):

None

Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any):

N/A

DECISION MADE:

Signed:

DATE: _____

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 MEMBER DECISION MEETING FOR SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH

DATE: 11th MAY 2021

SUBJECT:

LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL CARE STANDARD CHARGE FOR 2021-2022

There are currently 7 homes with a total of 248 beds in Carmarthenshire County Council's own residential homes. 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.

In previous years, the calculation for the Standard Charge was actioned later in the year to wait for confirmation of the pay award. As the pay award confirmation was very late in 2020-2021 and looks likely to be post-April in 2021-2022, the calculation is using the Revenue Budget Strategy projection of 2.5%.

For 2021-22 there has been no change in the number of Local Authority beds. Staffing costs have increased due to an estimated pay award of 2.5% in line with the Council's Revenue Budget Strategy and extra costs pressures on supplies and services of 2%. There are no proposed savings efficiencies reducing the budgets.

As a result, the charge for mainstream beds will increase by 2.00% and EMI beds by 2.40%.

Recommendation

The Standard Charge for Local Authority Older People residential care homes be increased from £641.21 to £654.06 for Mainstream beds and from £863.43 to £884.17 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: Jonathan Morgan

Head of Homes and Safer Communities

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 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: Jonathan Morgan

Head of Homes and Safer Communities

1. Local Member(s)

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

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