

# CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

**MONDAY**, 22 January 2024

**PRESENT: Councillor:** J. Tremlett (Cabinet Member).

**The following officers were in attendance:**

R. Page, Senior Business Support Manager

K. Thomas, Democratic Services Officer

Virtual Meeting - 11.00 - 11.10 am

**1. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

There were no declarations of personal interest.

**2. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE DECISION RECORD OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 8TH JUNE 2023**

**RESOLVED** that the decision record of the meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> June 2023 be signed as a correct record.

**3. NON-RESIDENTIAL CHARGING 2024-25**

The Cabinet Member considered a report on proposals to increase the Council's Non-Residential charges for 2024/25 in line with increased costs and inflation. It was noted that as the Welsh Government had set a financial cap of £100 charge for non- residential care there would be little benefit in increasing charges beyond inflation. However, although inflation would only return a minimal increase in income for the authority, it was essential charges were increased to reflect inflationary costs. The additional income accrued would depend entirely on the ability to pay of the individuals requiring care and on future Welsh Government decisions on the financial cap.

**RESOLVED** that Carmarthenshire increase its Non-Residential charges for hourly charged services by inflation from £20 to £22 (10%) and sessional charges from £19.55 to £21.60 (10%) in an attempt to recover as much revenue as possible within the rules set down by Welsh Government for 2024-25 and to align the rates with other local authorities in Wales and to move close to regional Local Authorities.

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