



**RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE**

**DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet    DATE DECISION MADE: 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

***Agenda Item : 7***

**SUBJECT: ADULT SOCIAL CARE CHARGES 2017-18**

**Cabinet Members Present  
County Borough Councillors:**

M.Webber(Chair), R.Bevan, A.Crimmings,  
G.Hopkins, M.Norris, R.Lewis, C.Leyshon, J.Rosser

**Apology for Absence  
County Borough Councillor:**

A.Morgan

**Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-**

S.Bradwick, J.Bonetto

**1. DECISION MADE:**

**Agreed –**

1. To note the amendments made by Welsh Government to the rules relating to adult social care charges effective from 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017
2. That there be no increase to the hourly charge rate for costs of non-residential care services provided to individuals in receipt of adult social care services
3. To approve the proposed revised weekly maximum charge for non-residential care services of £70 per week, in line with the revised limit determined by Welsh Government for 2017/18 financial year, with the implementation of the revised maximum charge taking effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017.
4. To approve the transfer of the additional income generated for 2017/18 to the Medium Term Financial Planning and Service Transformation Reserve (transition funding)
5. To approve implementation of any future year increases to the maximum charge for non-residential care services in line with any future year amendments made to Welsh Government guidance
6. To initiate a consultation on withdrawing the additional discretionary disregard currently applied in respect of Disability Related Expenditure from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018
7. To receive a further report detailing the results and feedback from the proposed consultation process (including the results of an Equality Impact Assessment undertaken) – in order for Cabinet to determine whether and how it wishes to progress with the proposal referred to in paragraph 2.6.

**2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:**

The need to note amendments made by Welsh Government to the rules relating to Adult Social Care Charges as set out in Parts 4 and 5 of the Social Services and Well Being Act 2014 effective from 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017; and to set out proposals for the levels of charging for non-residential care services provided to individuals in receipt of adult social care services for the financial year 2017/18.

**3. LINKS TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES / FUTURE GENERATIONS – SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.**

Setting out an appropriate level of fees contributes to securing service sustainability and in many cases helps to manage demand and target resources more effectively. This all supports services contributing effectively to the delivery of Corporate Plan priorities.

**4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:**

As outlined in section 6 of the report, Welsh Government has undertaken a public consultation exercise in respect of the amendments to the rules relating to adult social care charges, as such, it is felt that no further consultation is required relating to the proposal to revised the maximum weekly charge for non residential care services.

The proposal to withdraw the additional discretionary disregard allowance in respect of Disability Related Expenditure is a specific change to Council Policy and therefore it is considered that a period of consultation should be undertaken.

**5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL**

None

**6. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:**

None

**7. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):**

N/A

**8. (a) IS THE DECISION SUBJECT TO CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:**

YES  NO

**Note:** This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 5 clear working days after its publication i.e. **26<sup>th</sup> July, 2017** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

**8. (b) IF NO, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS DEEMED EXEMPT OR NON APPLICABLE:**

- I. COUNCIL FUNCTION (CALL IN IS THEREFORE NON APPLICABLE):-  
Reason:.....**N/A**.....
- II. URGENT DECISION:-  
Reason:.....**N/A**.....

**8. (c) IF DEEMED URGENT - SIGNATURE OF MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:**

N/A

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**(Mayor)**

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**(Dated)**



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**(Proper Officer)**

**18<sup>th</sup> July, 2017**  
**(Dated)**