

Cabinet member quotes for cabinet papers – 15 June 2023



Adult Social Care Charging Policy

"Throughout the past nine years, we have maintained a generous approach to social care charges, resulting in significantly lower charges compared to national guidelines and other local authorities.

"With less government funding and a growing demand for social care services from an ageing population and from people with complex support needs, it is becoming increasingly challenging for us to cover the rising costs of care provision. This is despite the council investing an extra £7.26 million into adult social care this year.

"We are therefore proposing changes to our adult social care charges to bring them in line with national guidelines and those of other local authorities. Our goal is to continue to deliver the highest standard of care to people who use our social care services, while ensuring that their contributions to the care they receive are affordable and based on their individual circumstances."

"We encourage everyone to share their thoughts on the impact of the proposed changes.

"The consultation will launch on 20 June and will run for 11 weeks. People will have various options to provide their feedback, by completing an online or paper copy questionnaire as well as by attending virtual and face-to-face sessions."