



COUNCIL MEETING

25 January 2018

CHARGING AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT FOR ADULT CARE AND SUPPORT SERVICES

Sheena Ramsey, Chief Executive

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The purpose of the report is to seek approval to implement the policy on Charging and Financial Assessment for Adult Care and Support Services.
2. The Care Act 2014 enables the Council to decide whether or not to charge an adult when it is arranging to meet an adult's care and support needs or a carer's support needs.
3. The new policy for Charging and Financial Assessment for Adult Social Care and Support Services was approved by Cabinet in March 2017, however following implementation concerns were raised regarding service users being unaware of the consultation process. A further period of consultation took place and informed the proposed policy.
4. It is proposed that the new policy is implemented with effect from 1 April 2018, with a period of tapering in respect of those people who will be most impacted by the policy. This will limit the immediate impact and enable people to undertake appropriate financial planning.
5. The Cabinet has considered the facts and issues arising from the report including alternative options and took all relevant advice before formulating their recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION

6. It is recommended that Council approves the proposed policy for Charging and Financial Assessment for Adult Care and Support Services as set out in Appendix 2 of the attached report.