

Responses to the Consultation on proposed changes to the charging and financial assessment for adult social care and support services

Proposal 1 – The cost of care is currently calculated at a standard rate regardless of how many carers are required. It is proposed to calculate the service user's contribution towards the cost of care based on the number of carers required. However, they will not pay more than the limit set at their personal assessment.

Q. Do you agree or disagree with Proposal 1?

This single response question was answered by 93 respondents.

Response	Number of Respondents	Percentage of Respondents
Agree	39	41.94%
Disagree	44	47.31%
Don't know	10	10.75%

Proposal 2 – The maximum weekly amount a service user is required to pay towards their care is currently capped at £205. It is proposed to remove this threshold. This means that the maximum a user would be required to pay is the amount identified in their personal assessment.

Q. Do you agree or disagree with Proposal 2?

This single response question was answered by 85 respondents.

Response	Number of Respondents	Percentage of Respondents
Agree	28	32.94%
Disagree	44	51.76%
Don't know	13	15.29%

Proposal 3 – All Service users currently receive a standard allowance of £20.60 per week to cover additional disability related costs such as speciality clothing or equipment. This is known as a Disability Related Expenditure (DRE) allowance. It is proposed to reduce the standard rate of DRE allowance to £15 per week.

Q. Do you agree or disagree with Proposal 3?

This single response question was answered by 86 respondents.

Response	Number of Respondents	Percentage of Respondents
Agree	45	52.33%
Disagree	28	32.56%
Don't know	13	15.12%