

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: SOCIAL WORK AND HEALTH COMMITTEE - 25TH APRIL 2011

REPORT ON: STANDARD CHARGES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL UNITS

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK

REPORT NO: 217 - 2011

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 This report recommends the level of standard charge to be applied in 2011-12 for local authority residential accommodation for adults.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the Social Work and Health Committee agrees standard charges for local authority residential accommodation as laid out in Appendix 1.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The effect of the adoption of these recommended standard charges have been incorporated into the Social Work Department's Revenue Budget 2011-12.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

4.1 The local authority is required by statute to review its charges for residential accommodation for adults each year. The method of calculating charges is prescribed by regulation and guidance and results in a full economic cost being calculated, including overheads and depreciation.

4.2 Each resident has a full assessment of their financial circumstances each year, which determines the amount they are required to contribute to the cost of their care. Only those residents with savings in excess of £23,500 or significant weekly income pay the full standard charge for their care. At present nine residents pay the full standard charge. Every resident retains at least £22.60 per week in personal allowance.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of sustainability, strategic environmental assessment, anti poverty, equality impact assessment and risk management. There are no major issues.

5.2 An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out and will be made available on the Council website <http://www.dundee.gov.uk/equanddiv/equimpact/>.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Director of Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 Equality Impact Assessment.

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Date: 13th April 2011

STANDARD CHARGES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL UNITS

It is recommended that the following standard charges be applied from April 2011: -

	£ per week from April 2011	£ per week from April 2010
Residential Homes for Older People	843	843
Elmgrove House	1500	1500
Whitetop Centre Respite Unit	2760	2760
Mackinnon Centre Respite Unit	934	934