

**DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO: SOCIAL WORK AND HEALTH COMMITTEE - 14th JUNE 2010**

**REPORT ON: STANDARD CHARGES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL UNITS**

**REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK**

**REPORT NO: 316 - 2010**

**1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 This report recommends the level of standard charge to be applied in 2010-11 for local authority residential accommodation for adults and older people

**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 2010-11.

**4.0 MAIN TEXT**

4.1 The local authority is required by statute to review its charges for residential accommodation for adults and older people 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 charge.

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 £22,750 or significant weekly income pay the full standard charge for their care. At present no residents pay the full standard charge due to the impact of free personal care. Every resident retains at least £22.30 per week in personal allowance.

4.3 Any placements made by other local authorities to these units will be charged at the fee rates noted at Appendix 1.

**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.

**6.0 CONSULTATION**

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

**7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

7.1 None.

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Date: 25th May 2010

**STANDARD CHARGES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL UNITS**

It is recommended that the following standard charges be applied from April 2010: -

	<b>£ per week from April 2009</b>	<b>£ per week from April 2010</b>
Residential Homes for Older People	826	843
Elmgrove Hostel	1,470	1,500
Whitetop Centre Respite Unit	2,640	2,760
Mackinnon Centre Respite Unit	906	934