

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: SOCIAL WORK AND HEALTH COMMITTEE - 25TH AUGUST 2008

REPORT ON: STANDARD CHARGES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL UNITS

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK

REPORT NO: 417 - 2008

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 This report recommends the level of standard charge to be applied in 2008-9 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 2008-9.

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, but excluding notional interest.
- 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 £21,500 or significant weekly income pay the full standard charge for their care. At present no residents pay the full standard charge. Every resident retains at least £21.15 per week in personal allowance.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report has been screened for any implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessments, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

There are no major issues.

7.0 CONSULTATION

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

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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Date: 7th August 2008

STANDARD CHARGES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL UNITS

It is recommended that the following standard charges be applied from April 2008: -

	£ per week from April 2008	£ per week from April 2007
Residential Homes for Older People	802	744
Elmgrove Hostel	1429	1,403
Whitetop Centre Respite Unit	2509	2,290
Mackinnon Centre Respite Unit	885	851