

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE – 18 June 2001

REPORT ON: STANDARD CHARGES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL UNITS

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK

REPORT NO: 400-2001

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

This report recommends the level of standard charge to be applied in 2001/2002 for local authority residential accommodation for adults.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

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

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Adopting the recommended standard charges will have no effect on the present level of income budgeted by the department, as no residents presently pay the full standard charge.

4 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

None

5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

None

6 MAIN TEXT

6.1 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 the cost of capital.

6.2 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 £18,500 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 £16.05 per week in personal allowance.

7 CONSULTATION

The Director of Finance and Director of Support Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report

9 SIGNATURE

Director of Social Work

Date

7 June 2001

APPENDIX 1

STANDARD CHARGES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL UNITS

It is recommended that the following standard charges be applied from April 2001:-

	£ per week from April 2001	2000/01	1999/00
Residential Homes for Older People	416	380	373
Maryfield Hostel	393	413	394
Elmgrove Hostel	1,218	1,102	1,100
Community Living Units	957	869	871
Whitetop Centre Respite Unit	1,440	1,838	1,679
Mackinnon Centre Respite Unit	554	640	550