

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 000217
Date 17 June 2016

Domiciliary care

Request:

1. Details of the lowest, highest and average fee hourly rates agreed with external suppliers of the following services for 2016/2017:

- a. Domiciliary care services for the elderly in their own home.

Lowest £13.72
Highest £13.92
Average Between £13.72 and £13.92

- b. Domiciliary care services for adults under the age of 65 in their own home with specialist care needs such as learning disabilities, autism or physical disabilities.

Lowest £13.72
Highest £13.92
Average Between £13.72 and £13.92

(Please note that we do not require details of rates paid to individual suppliers, simply minimum, maximum and average rates payable).

2. Details of the amount paid per night for sleep-in shifts delivered to adults under the age of 65, with specialist care needs in registered residential care homes.
No fixed amount per night. Prices vary accordingly.
3. Details of the percentage increase in hourly fee rates which were awarded to the previous year's levels.
We did not apply a blanket percentage, we increased all current packages to £13.72 per hour which was an increase ranging from £1.68 per hour to £0.72p per hour.

Our new framework for 2016/17 is based on a range of £13.72 to £13.92 per hour

4. Details of the number of hours of elderly domiciliary care provided in the week commencing 25 April 2016.
9,644 hours

5. Details of what percentage of the hours listed in answer to question 4 were delivered by the private sector, what percentage was delivered by the local authority

The figures are for directly purchased hours only, we do not provide Domiciliary Care in house and do not record hours provided by DP's as the individual will normally arrange the care directly with the provider and will self-commission a mixed package.

and what percentage under direct payments/independent budgets.

In respect of your above question, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold this information. Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Act, that states:

"Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request".