



## Response to Request for Information

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### ***Care At Home Framework - Domiciliary Care - Adult Social Care***

#### **Request:**

The current hourly rate that Wolverhampton pay to providers to deliver Domiciliary / Care at home is £14.12, at a recent providers meeting the rate was “questioned”, specifically how the rate was agreed upon by the local authority. Providers were told that a “costing” process / method was used to arrive at this amount but attendees were informed that details of the process would not be made available. Could I please have details of the costing method and any other relevant information used to arrive at the rate of £14.12?

We can confirm that the department holds information that you have asked for in relation to the above. However, the information is exempt under section 21 of the FOI Act because it is reasonably accessible to you, and I am pleased to inform you that you can access it on our website via the following link:

<https://wolverhamptonintranet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=143&MI d=6020>

Section 21(1) of the Freedom of Information Act exempts disclosure of information that is reasonably accessible by other means, and the terms of the exemption mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.

You can find out more about Section 21 by reading the extract from the Act, available at: <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/21>

I would also like to know if possible, how many hours / packages of care are being delivered by “spot” provision and the individual hourly rates being paid on these packages.

On average there are currently 884.75 hours a week which are commissioned under “spot” provision under a single hourly rate of £13.72 per hour.