

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 002221 Date 26 April 2018

Supported living services and residential services for adults with learning disabilities (LD), Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) and mental health (MH).

Request:

Please see and respond to the following freedom of information request, as per the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

- 1. Has your local authority paid one off fee increases specifically for changes to sleep in liabilities to providers for existing care packages (i.e outside of, and additional to, inflationary annual uplifts)?
 City of Wolverhampton Council reviewed all packages it commissions to identify Sleep ins in 2017. In all but one case CWC identified that when the overall cost of the packages when divided by the number of hours commissioned CWC were paying the provider above the national minimum wage with sufficient margin to pay all employee related costs.
 In the single case where this was not evidenced CWC increased the rate of pay for this package so that NMW was being paid across the whole of the package.
- 2. If yes, please provide whether this has applied to both supported living and residential services. Where possible, please separate out for categories of LD & ASD, and MH. This only applied to supported living providers. CWC has always commissioned residential services to provide 24 hour waking provision.
- 3. Please supply a list of supported living providers mentioned in Q2. Where possible, please separate out for categories of LD & ASD, and MH. See below
- 4. Please supply a list of residential provider mentioned in Q2. Where possible, please separate out for each category of LD, MH, & ASD. N/A
- 5. Please provide whether the local authority has provided funds for backpay liabilities to providers for historic sleep ins. N/A
- 6. If yes, please provide whether this has applied to both supported living and residential services. Where possible, please separate out for categories of LD & ASD, and MH. N/A

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- 7. Please supply a list of supported living providers mentioned in Q6. Where possible, please separate out for categories of LD & ASD, and MH. N/A
- 8. Please supply a list of residential provider mentioned in Q6. Where possible, please separate out for each category of LD, MH, & ASD. N/A
- 9. If no, please provide whether the local authority is planning on providing funds for backpay liabilities to providers for historic sleep ins. N/A The HMRC ruling regarding NMW and sleep in services applies to employers and their legal obligations to the staff that they employee.