

## Response to Request for Information

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### ***Sleep-In Shifts***

#### **Request:**

We have two questions:

- 1)    What is the policy and practice of your authority for the payment of independent health and social care providers for the provision of a sleep-in shift as part of a contract to provide care and support for a local authority adult social services client? For example do you pay a level sufficient for the care provider to top up the worker's salary to NMW level over all, or do you pay NMW levels for all hours of sleep in shift or are you paying a fixed sum for a sleep-in which no longer aligns with NMW levels or are you doing something different from these approaches?  
[City of Wolverhampton Council reviewed all sleep-in packages in 2017 and from April 2018 fund a fixed sum which enables payment of the current national minimum pay.](#)
  
- 2)    Have you undertaken consultation with independent health and social care providers over the payment for sleep-in shift since the appeal court judgement on 13th July 2018?  
[City of Wolverhampton Council has engaged with care providers as part of the review of care fees for 2018 - 2019](#)
  
- 3)    If you have undertaken consultation with independent health and social care providers what form did this take?  
[Providers were offered the option to feedback their views to inform the 2018-2019 fee review.](#)