Freedom of information NCC-029470-17

Thank you for your recent Freedom of information request for the following information regarding spending and contracts for older person's social services (aged 65 and over). I have provided our response alongside each point.

I would like to request the following information regarding spending for older person's social services (aged 65 and over). If data for 2018/19 is not available, please provide predicted or budgeted figures where appropriate.

The 2018/19 figures will not be known until the beginning of March 2018 after they have been to full Council for agreement.

1. Does the Local Authority operate a usual cost of care for older person's social services? By usual cost of care, we mean set weekly fee rates that the Local Authority pays to care providers for older people's residential, residential EMI, nursing, and nursing EMI.

Nottinghamshire County Council "NCC" have a banding system with set rates for both nursing/residential and also there is an additional payment for a dementia quality mark (only to homes that have achieved this mark not all homes). The banding system is only in place for older people care home placements. Younger adult placements are placed using the care funding calculator. The bandings are assessed annually by the Council and there is an audit process in place that determines this banding.

2. If the answer to question 1 is 'yes', does the Local Authority have a banding system for fee rates? By 'banding system' we mean different levels of fees for a council's own criteria

Yes The Council has a banding system which is audited annually, i.e. quality reports.

- 3. If the answer to question 2 is 'no', please provide the Local Authority fees from 2013/14 through to 2017/18, and to 2018/19 if fees have been decided upon or predicted.
 - a. Older person's residential
 - b. Older person's residential EMI
 - c. Older person's nursing
 - d. Older person's nursing EMI

N/A

- 4. If the answer to question 2 is 'yes', please provide fees associated with each band/grade from 2013/14 through to 2017/18, and to 2018/19, if fees and bands have been decided upon or predicted.
 - a. Older person's residential
 - b. Older person's residential EMI
 - c. Older person's nursing
 - d. Older person's nursing EMI

The rates for the years requested:

Nottinghamshire County Council – Banded Fee Rates 2013/14

Band	OP Residential	OP Residential	OP Nursing	Op Nursing
		Dementia		Dementia
1	303/348.00	359.00	376.00	386.00
2	391.00	438.00	439.00	480.00
3	417.00	464.00	465.00	506.00
4	443.00	489.00	491.00	532.00
5	469.00	515.00	516.00	558.00

Nottinghamshire 2014/15 Fee Rates – Care Homes for Older People

Quality Band	Residential	Residential	Nursing	Nursing
	£	Dementia	£	Dementia
		£		£
1	401	413	436	446
2	445	492	499	540
3	471	518	525	566
4	497	543	551	593
5	523	569	577	619

Nottinghamshire County Council Fee Rates 2015-16

BAND	Residential	Residential dementia	Nursing	Nursing dementia
1	405	417	440	450
2	449	497	504	545
3	476	523	530	572
4	502	548	556	599
5	528	575	583	625

Nottinghamshire County Council 2016-2017 fee rates

Care home banding	Residential care	Residential dementia DQM	*Nursing care	*Nursing dementia DQM
Band 1	£429	£441	£466	£476
Band 2	£476	£524	£534	£575
Band 3	£505	£552	£562	£604
Band 4	£517	£563	£573	£616
Band 5	£533	£580	£589	£631

Nottinghamshire County Council 2017-2018 fee rates

Care home banding	Residential care	Residential Care Included DQM Payment**	*Nursing care	*Nursing Care including DQM Payment**
Band 1	£441	£453	£479	£489
Band 2	£489	£539	£549	£591
Band 3	£519	£567	£578	£621
Band 4	£532	£579	£589	£633
Band 5	£548	£596	£606	£649

- 5. If the Local Authority no longer operates a usual cost of care, but had done historically, please provide any historic fees since 2013/14 for:
 - a. Older person's residential
 - b. Older person's residential EMI
 - c. Older person's nursing
 - d. Older person's nursing EMI

If you are unhappy with the way your request was dealt with and wish to make a complaint, please write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail foi@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the reference above.

With kind regards

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