Dear

I am writing to you in reply to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to Nottinghamshire County Council. Firstly I apologise for the delay in replying to you and hope that it has not caused any inconvenience. I have the following information.

1. How many adults are you providing social care to now, compared with 2010? 2009/10: 25835 2017/18: 23634

2. What percentage of people eligible for social care services receive a Direct Payment? 44.2%

3. Are there any restrictions on the number of hours adult social care funding you will fund or are there any plans to introduce a limit? No. Support will be provided to meet a person's assessed eligible needs.

4. What are the DP rates that you pay to adults who directly employ PAs? NCC will pay up to £10.55 per hour for daytime and evening hours Monday-Saturday. NCC will pay up to £13.30 per hour for daytime and evening hours on Sundays

5. What rates do you pay to adults, who directly employ their own PAs for Overnight Rates -both for sleeping and waking nights and what hours does this payment cover? Waking night hours are paid at the same rates as daytime and evening hours for Monday to Saturday and for Sunday, as above.

Sleeping night support is paid at £86.68 per 9 hour session.

6. What Bank Holiday Rates do you pay to adults, who directly employ their own PAs? There are no different rates for Bank Holidays

7. When was the last time DP rates were increased? April 2018

8. What additional employer costs are funded through these rates? National insurance employer contributions Statutory paid holidays Payroll charges, Employer Liability Insurance National Minimum Wage increase from April 2016 Employer pension contributions Ongoing training requirements Contingency funding Other Direct Payment Support costs, e.g. Managed Accounts and on-going support

Other costs can be met by one-off payments as and when necessary, e.g. Recruitment costs. Redundancy payments Statutory sick pay 9. If pensions are not fully funded using DP rates, how will they be funded? N/A

10. How many former Independent Living Fund (ILF) recipients have had their care package funding reduced compared to the amount of funding they received jointly from ILF and the Local Authority combined before closure? The council does not hold this information.

If you have any queries or concerns then please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information Team, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail foi@nottscc.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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