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Thank you for your request for information relating to spending and contracts for older person's social services. I can now let you have the following information in response to the questions you raised.

**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 care.** In Nottinghamshire we have a quality banding system. There are 5 quality bands for both nursing and residential placements with a slightly higher rate for older person care homes that have the Dementia Quality Mark (DQM). The quality bandings are reviewed annually through an audit process and the DQM is reviewed on a bi-annual basis.

**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 according to a council's own criteria i.e. quality grades.** Please see above.

If the answer to question 2 is 'no', please provide the Local Authority's own set weekly fee rates for 2018/19 and 2019/20 for:

Nottinghamshire Rates are: 2018/19

| Care home banding | Residential care | Residential Care Included DQM Payment** | *Nursing care | *Nursing Care including DQM Payment** |
|-------------------|------------------|---|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Band 1            | £454             | £467                                    | £493          | £504                                  |
| Band 2            | £504             | £555                                    | £565          | £609                                  |
| Band 3            | £535             | £584                                    | £595          | £640                                  |
| Band 4            | £548             | £596                                    | £607          | £652                                  |
| Band 5            | £564             | £614                                    | £624          | £668                                  |

2019/20

| Care home banding | Residential care | Residential Care Included DQM Payment** | *Nursing care | *Nursing Care including DQM Payment** |
|-------------------|------------------|---|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Band 1            | £473             | £487                                    | £514          | £525                                  |

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|--------|------|------|------|------|
| Band 2 | £525 | £579 | £589 | £635 |
| Band 3 | £558 | £609 | £620 | £667 |
| Band 4 | £571 | £621 | £633 | £680 |
| Band 5 | £588 | £640 | £651 | £696 |

**4. If the answer to question 2 is 'yes', please provide the Local Authority's own weekly set fees associated with each band/grade for 2018/19 and 2019/2020 N/A**

**5. Please provide the highest, lowest, average (mean) and median actual weekly fees paid to older person's care providers in 2018/19 and 2019/20 N/A**

We hope this now satisfies your request, and should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly using the contact details below. In addition and for future reference Nottinghamshire County Council regularly publish previous Freedom of Information Requests and answers on our website, [click here](#) to see the Disclosure logs.

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Yours sincerely

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