

Paying for care and support

For some people a little bit of help with day to day tasks makes the world of difference and some services provided by the council and voluntary sector have been designed to make life a bit easier.

There are different types of support, including adaptations to homes like grab rails and installing technology such as Telecare alarms. There is also support with social events and advice on different services like benefits. Some of these services are free or may attract a small weekly charge.

Most people will pay at least something towards the cost of their social care support. Some people pay for care themselves and this is generally referred to as self-funding, whilst others may qualify for support towards or all of the costs from the council.

Who pays for what can be quite complicated as it depends on things such as whether you meet the local authority threshold for services, the outcome of your assessment of need and subsequent support plan and your personal financial circumstances such as income, including benefits, savings and any property you own. As a rule of thumb if you have more than £23,250 in saving or in property you will need to pay something.

If you are eligible but can't meet the cost of these services, the council will undertake a financial assessment with you. If your assessment shows you qualify for financial help then you will receive a payment from the council to meet these costs. This is provided through a payment referred to as a personal budget and this will be reviewed every year.

Contact

To speak to someone about paying for Residential Care then you can contact Adult Residential Services on **0115 876 3672**, email adultresidential.services@nottinghamcity.gov.uk, or write to:

LH BOX 1
Loxley House
Station Street
Nottingham
NG2 3NG

To find out more about this you can contact the Nottingham Health and Care Point on **0300 300 3333**. Or look at the Choose my Support Directory at: www.choosemysupport.org.uk/marketplace/cat?cat=9&type=service

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If you live at home and need help with paying for care and support you may wish to find out how we work out charges. You can find all this information on our website: www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/fairercharging.

You can also contact the team by telephone: **0115 876 2525** or email fairer.charging@nottinghamcity.gov.uk

If you are or planning to fund your own care you may wish to contact Paying for Care to find out what is available. Check out their website: www.payingforcare.org.

1 Correct as of March 2015, subject to change in 2016



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