

**DECISION SESSION -  
CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH, HOUSING AND ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES**

**WEDNESDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2012**

**DECISIONS**

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the public meeting of the Decision Session – Cabinet Member for Health, Housing and Adult Social Services held on Wednesday, 12 December 2012. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than 4pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Catherine Clarke or Louise Cook.

**4. LOCAL ACCOUNT FOR ADULT SOCIAL CARE  
2012**

- RESOLVED:
- (i) That the performance and improvements detailed in the Local Account 2012 be noted.
  - (ii) The Local Account, with any relevant changes, be approved for general publication.

REASON: Approval by the Cabinet Member will enable Adults, Children and Education (ACE) to engage in the regional Service Led Improvement Programme for 2012-13 and to meet its commitment to the Promoting Excellence in Councils' Adults Social Care Programme Board, and good practice in producing an annual Local Account.

**5. REVIEW OF THE FAIRER CONTRIBUTIONS  
POLICY FOR NON- RESIDENTIAL CARE  
SERVICES: MOVING TO 'PERSONAL  
ACCOUNTS' TO DELIVER CHOICE AND  
CONTROL**

- RESOLVED: That option 1, to agree the proposed new contributions policy as in Annex A be approved. The specific changes to the customer contributions policy would be as follows:
- contributions to home care and day care services will be based on the actual cost of the

support provided rather than a standard cost.

- contributions will still be payable during temporary reduction or stoppage of support (eg hospital/holiday) in line with any contract agreements with providers.
- where someone needs two carers to support them at the same time the personal budget and the costs of the support package will reflect the two carers.
- where the personal budget is used to provide a short break, including up to eight weeks in a year within a residential setting, the customer contributions will be calculated on the basis of a non residential service.

Reason:

To deliver a more consistent, transparent and equitable customer contributions policy and enable personal accounts to work in the same way for people who take a direct payment and those for whom the council commissions support.