North Yorkshire County Council Health and Adult Services





Paying for social care: proposals for changes to the amount of money that people are asked to pay towards their support

Paying towards the cost of social care



North Yorkshire County Council gets a lot less money from the Government than we used to.



This means that the council has to look for ways to save money so that we can keep providing services for people.

We have changed lots of things since 2010 and have saved lots of money. But we still need to save more money. More people need social care and this is very expensive.

Ideas for saving more money - 1

Transport to social care services:



North Yorkshire County Council sends a bus or a taxi to take some people to their social care service and home again.



When the council arranges a bus or a taxi for someone, it charges the person for the journeys.

It costs the person £2.70 a day. It costs the council about £18 per journey.

The council is thinking about charging people more than £2.70 per day to help pay for the cost of transport.

More news about transport



The council also wants to make sure that it collects all the payments from people for their transport.



We have not always done this. Some people have not been charged for their transport when they should have been.

We are going to start charging everyone. We will send a letter to people who will have to start paying for transport.

We need to collect this money to help pay for services. We also think that it is fairer.

Ideas for saving more money - 2



Looking at the total cost of a person's care and charging for all the care provided:



At the moment, if a person needs to have two care workers at the same time, they are only charged for one.



The council is thinking about charging for both of the care workers. We think this is fairer.

This would not affect people who don't have enough money to pay for their care workers.

Talking to people about these ideas



We have been talking to some people about these ideas during the summer.

We now want to talk to lots of people about the ideas. We will begin a **consultation** soon.



The consultation will be in easy read to help people tell us what they think about the ideas.

There will also be some events so people can come and talk to us about the ideas.



When the consultation starts, please tell us what you think about the ideas.

Please also help us to make sure lots of people know about the consultation.



We want to hear from lots of people.

Do you have any ideas about how we can tell people about the consultation?

Any questions?