Direct Payments





Background/context of Direct Payments

Government Initiative Community Care (direct Payments) Act 1996 Important contribution to independence Care Act 2014 Duty of a local authority



They are monetary payments made to individuals.

What is a direct payment?

Not Classed as Income.

The money remains public money until it is spent for the purpose given.

Charges!

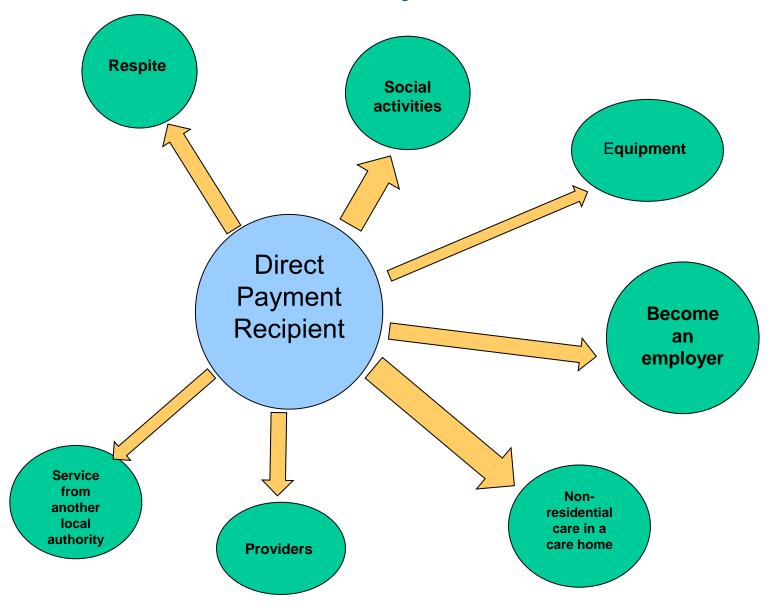


Who can have a direct Payment?

- Parents of disabled children.
- Disabled young people aged 16 or 17.
- Disabled Parents.
- Adults who meet the eligibility criteria.
- Carers to meet their assessed needs.
- Adults who have capacity to consent.



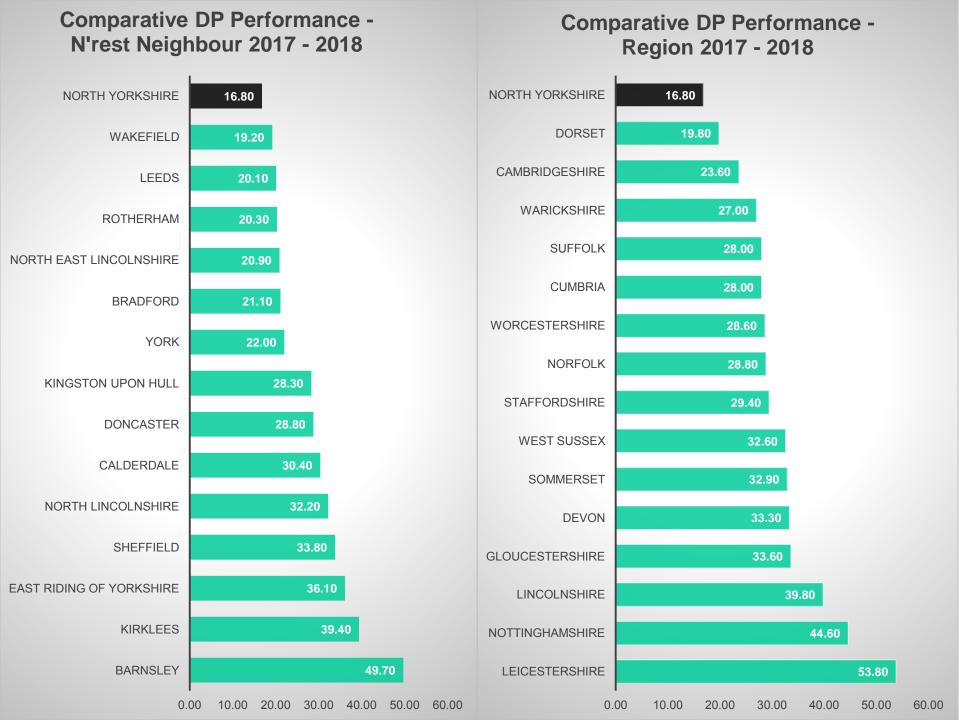
How can Direct Payments be used?



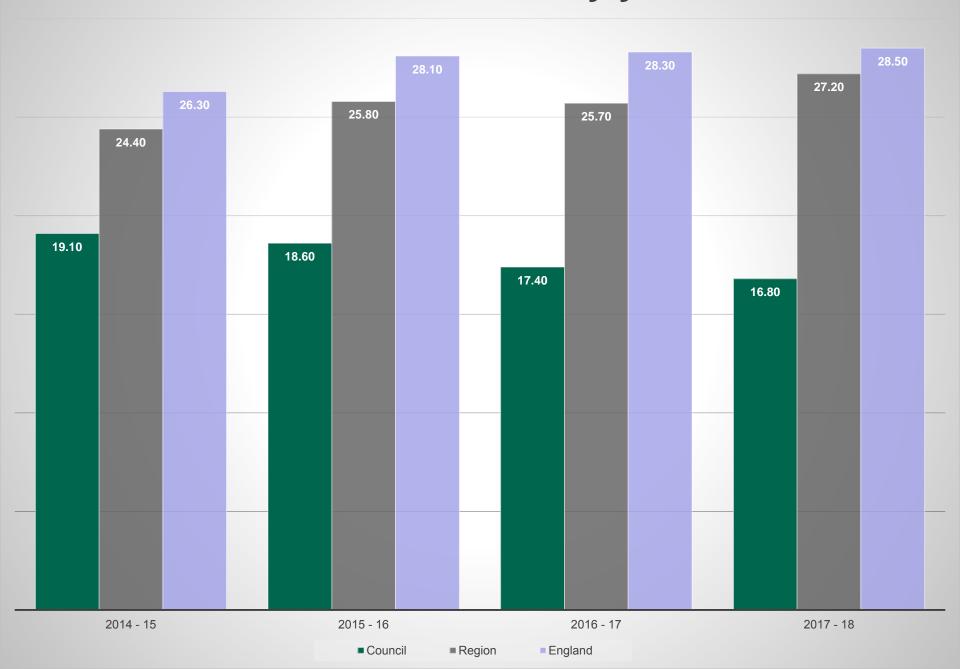
Risk Assessing, Monitoring & Reviews



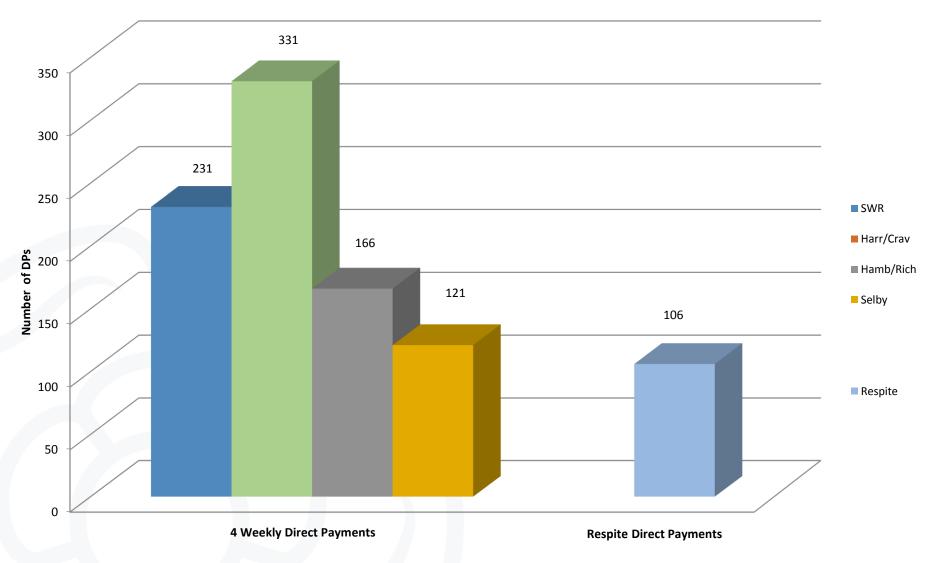
How local authorities should approach the application of Direct Payments. **Behaviours** Local community resources Safeguarding **Mental Capacity Act** Knowledge Care Act 2014 **NYCC Policy & Procedures Legal Framework** Flexible **Skills** Open minded Adaptable **Attitudes Positive Empathetic** Respectful **Problem solving Creative thinking** Self motivated **Active listening Build trust** Good communications Person Centered/



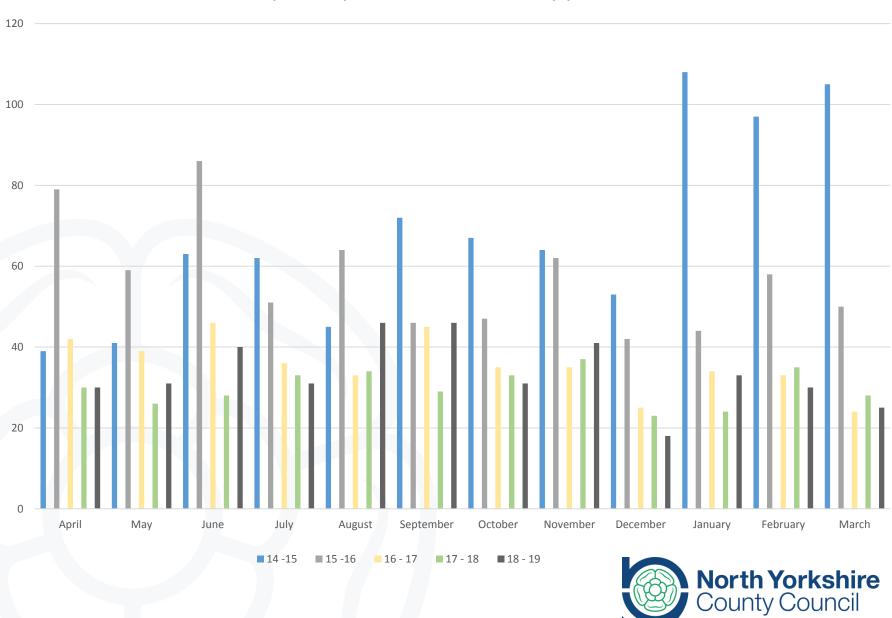
DP Performance by year



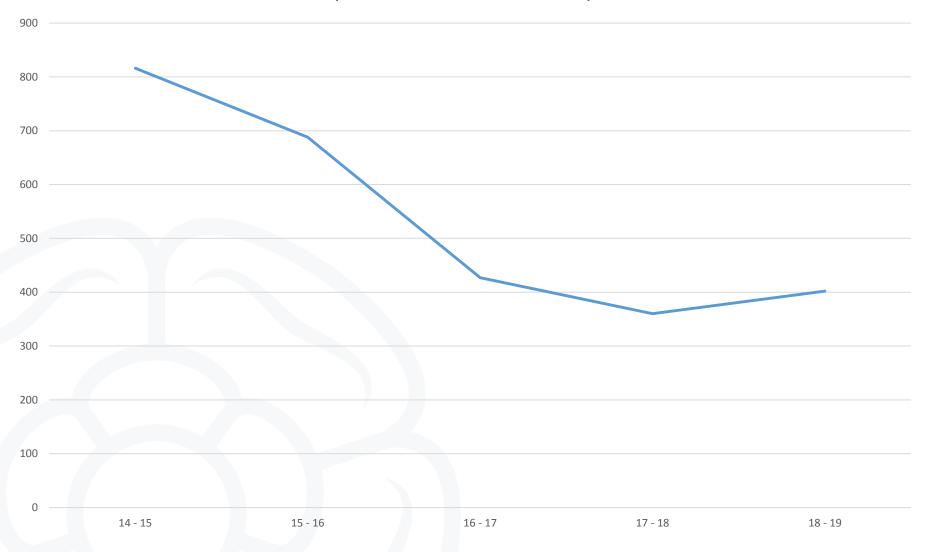
North Yorkshire County Council Direct Payments - April 2019







Trend of DP Requests for Involvement Trend per annum 2014 - 2019







Direct
Payment up
take static
for last 3
yrs.

Little appetite to support the wide range of choices and high degree of control. No flexibility or management backing for undertaking the type of care and support planning that helps people make the most of the resources.

Support being put in place; is largely home care, residential respite to help carers get a break, and supported living



DP Employers v's DP Contracted

| 2008 | 2015 | 2019 |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Agency 25% | | |
| | Agency 55% | Agency 56% |
| Employers 75% | Employers 45% | Employers 44% |



Operation & Practice Issues



Advantages of Direct Payments

Recover unspent funds

Costs Less

Direct Payments

Builds confidence Gives power

Flexibility, choice and control



Case Studies.

Leann

In 2010 Leann was diagnosed with Dystonia, a neurological movement disorder. She has had a series of surgeries to manage the symptoms, including complex brain surgery.

Leann has received a direct payment for a number of years to provide weekly support.



Case Studies



Abigail Bubb (Abi) is a young woman who was born with a physical disability, Arthrogryposis.



Abi's Life!



Guides Brownies Friends
Adventure Friends
Swimming Family Travelling
Social Work Befriending
Craft Tea Gardening
Volunteering
Cooking Student
Baking



Any Questions?



