

# Impact Assessment

## Domiciliary Care Unit Cost Impacting Charge



13/01/2022

Reference: 4041-9982-0209-4499

Impact Assessments (IA) are a process of assessing how our proposals and decisions might impact upon different types of people and communities and developing proposals in line with relevant legislation.

**This is a legal requirement, and ensures the Council considers key legislation, including Equalities, Welsh language, Future Generations, Socio-economic Duty and Risk when developing proposals.**

**It will also help the Council make the best possible decisions for the people of Powys.**

# 1. Proposal Information

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<b>Proposal title</b>	Domiciliary Care Unit Cost Impacting Charge
<b>Description of proposal</b>	The unit cost of domiciliary care has increased and it is proposed to increase the charge for domiciliary care per hour accordingly to reflect the actual unit cost. Due to the cap on charges for community services the impact is limited to 52 people (based on sample week of last week in August 2021). The actual increase is from £20.50 per hour of care to £23.50 per hour of care.

# 2. Savings and Consultation requirements

## Profile of savings delivery

2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026+	Total savings
£20,000	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£20,000

## Further information

Increase in charge for one hour of domiciliary care from £20.50 to £23.50 will raise £19,889.48 annual additional income. Due to the cap on community care charges, this increase will impact on 52 individuals (from approximately 1,300 service users receiving domiciliary care and/or direct payments) with an increase on average of £7.35 per week.

## Consultation requirements

<b>Consultation required?</b>	No
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**Justification**

Charge for domiciliary care can be based on the unit cost of care.

### 3. Impact on other service areas, geographical areas and data protection

#### 3a. Impact on other service areas

#### 3b. Impact on geographical locations

The entire county

#### 3c. Data protection impact assessment

Will the proposal involve processing the personal details of individuals?	Yes
Is Powys County Council the data controller?	Yes
Further information	

### 4. Impact on Vision 2025

#### 4a. The economy

Impact	52 service users will be required to pay an additional £7.35 for care (on average) per week.
Impact rating	Very poor
Mitigation	Support Income and Awards team to enable service users to access welfare benefits where possible.
Mitigated impact rating	Poor

#### 4b. Health and care

Impact	None
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#### 4c. Learning and skills

Impact	None
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#### 4d. Residents and communities

Impact	None
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#### 4e. Evidence

It is not anticipated that this saving proposal will impact on Vision 2025.

### 5. Impact on well-being goals including Welsh language and equalities

#### 5a. A prosperous Wales

Impact	52 individuals will have an increased cost for care of approximately £7.35 per week in Powys.
Impact rating	Poor
Mitigation	Enable service users to access welfare benefits where this is not already done.
Mitigated impact rating	Neutral

#### 5b. A resilient Wales

Impact	None
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#### 5c. A healthier Wales

Impact	None
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#### 5d. A Wales of cohesive communities

Impact	None
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## 5e. A globally responsible Wales

Impact

None

## 5f. A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language

### Using Welsh

Impact

None

### Promoting Welsh

Impact

None

### Sports, Art & Recreation

Impact

None

## 5g. A more equal Wales

### Age

Impact

None

### Disability

Impact

None

### Gender Reassignment

Impact

None

### Marriage or Civil Partnership

Impact

None

### Race

Impact

None

## Religion or Belief

Impact	None
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## Sex

Impact	None
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## Sexual Orientation

Impact	None
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## Pregnancy and Maternity

Impact	None
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## Socio-economic Duty

Impact	As previously set out - 52 individuals will be charged on average £7.35 more for their care weekly.
Impact rating	Poor
Mitigation	enable access to welfare benefits.
Mitigated impact rating	Neutral

## 5h. Evidence

N/A
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## 6. Impact on key guiding principles & workforce

### 6a. Sustainable development principles

#### Long-term

Impact	None
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#### Collaboration

Impact	None
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### Involvement (including Communication and Engagement)

Impact	None
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### Prevention

Impact	None
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### Integration

Impact	None
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### 6b. Impact on the workforce

Impact	None
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### 6c. Impact on payroll

Impact	None
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### 6d. Welsh language impact on staff

Impact	None
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### 6e. Impact on apprenticeships

Impact	None
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### 6f. Evidence

N/A
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## 7. Likelihood and risks

No risks documented
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## 8. Overall summary and judgement

### Outline assessment

The increase in charges for domiciliary care will impact upon approximately 52 individuals across Powys. They will face an increase in weekly charges of £7.35 on average. The Council funds welfare benefits advice through a variety of sources and will work with these advice sources to support service users to gain access to welfare benefits, to which they could be entitled, thus mitigating the impact.

<b>Cabinet reference</b>	
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## 9. Additional evidence

N/A

## 10. Ongoing monitoring arrangements and governance

### Monitoring arrangements

This increase in charges will be developed over the coming months and may not lead to a full-year-effect as further development work is required in order to implement.

<b>Review date</b>	31/03/2022
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