



## Fairer Contributions

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If Adult Social Care agree that you have support needs, they will have a sum of money for you to meet your needs.



This is called a Personal Budget.



We may ask you to help pay towards the cost of your care.

This is called a Fairer Contribution.



How this is worked out

You will need to have a financial assessment.



An officer from the Council will work out how much money you can afford to pay.



If you do not want a financial assessment you will have to pay the full cost of your care.

When you will have to start paying



You will start paying from the date your care starts.

## How you will pay



We will work out how much your care will cost each week.



We will work out how much you will need to pay each week and how much we will pay each week.



We can pay for your care straight from the Council.



Or we can pay money to you and you will be in charge of paying for the care.



This is called a Direct Payment.

### If you choose a Direct Payment:

You will be asked to open a bank account that will only be used to pay for your care costs.



You will be asked to pay money into the bank account every 4 weeks.



If you would like to know more about Direct Payments you can ask your social worker.



### If you need to stop your care

You will need to stop your care because:-

- you are going on holiday
- you are going into respite
- you are going into hospital



We ask that you let the care service know.



We ask you to give the care service at least 3 days notice.

The care service will let us know.



You will not be asked to pay towards your care if you go into hospital.



If you wish to change or finish your care services permanently you will need to tell your social worker.

## Changes to money that you have



If there are any changes to the money you have coming in or changes to money you have to pay out you will need to call the Financial Assessment Team.



Their number is 01202 633535.



This may change how much you have to pay for your care.

## Other factsheets that may help you



- The Financial Assessment



- Personal Budgets and how your care will be arranged



- Direct Payments Scheme

## Contact details



If you would like to find out more about this service please call 01202 633535.



Or email [f.socialservices@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:f.socialservices@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)



For more information about services please go to

[www.mylifemycare.com](http://www.mylifemycare.com)



You can find easy read factsheets at:



Poole Civic Centre reception



The Community Learning Disability Team



You can download factsheets from:

[www.poole.gov.uk/adultsocialcarefactsheets](http://www.poole.gov.uk/adultsocialcarefactsheets)



Or email: [sshelpdesk@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:sshelpdesk@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)



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