Decision taken

Made by an Executive Member or Chief Officer



Notice of Decision Made

Decision maker	Executive Director of Adult Social Services
Date of decision	05/03/2020
What is the decision?	To approve an extraordinary in-year fee increase for commissioned residential and nursing care homes which provide services for older people and people with physical disabilities. The proposed increase is in addition to the previous 3.9% increase awarded as part of the annual fee setting process for 2019/20.
	The award of £18.75 per package, per week to care home providers in relation to packages classified as Older People's Services (backdated to Monday 1 st July 2019) will raise the Manchester benchmarked fee rate from £474.39 to £493.14 for residential care and from £506.46 to £525.21.
	The cost in 2019/20 is £675,000 and has been provided for within the ASC cash limit budget, as has the full year effect into 2020/21.
Reasons for the decision (but excluding any exempt or confidential information)	This interim increase seeks to stabilise a market that is currently challenged. Following the announcement of the 2019/20 fee uplift of 3.9% for care homes, there was significant and collective pushback from the market that this was insufficient and below inflationary pressures being experienced by operators. The increase will help to secure adequate provision is maintained within the market to meet statutory responsibilities and to provide care and support for Manchester people in a suitable setting.
Alternatives considered and rejected	No further increase in fees for 2019/20
Interests Declared	None
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Reference		
OR – if not published in the Register of Key Decisions		
Reasons for special urgency such that this was not published in a Register of Key Decisions		

Scrutiny Call In

Call-in deadline	4.00pm on Thursday 12 March 2020	
OR – if Exempt from Call-in		
Advice as to how any delay would seriously prejudice the legal or financial position of the Council		
Scrutiny Chair who agreed the urgency		

Date this notice was published	Thursday 5 March 2020
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