

West Sussex County Council

Urgent Action

The following decision has been taken under the urgent action procedure by the Director of Law and Assurance, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member and with the agreement of the relevant Committee Chairman.

Regulation 11: This decision is a key decision and as such should have been included in the Forward Plan for the required 28 days. It was, however, not possible to do so and agreement to the decision has been obtained from the relevant Committee Chairman and notice has been given to the public.

Decision Title & Ref No:	Financial Support to the Care Sector UA AH02 20/21
Officer responsible for Decision	Tony Kershaw - Director of Law and Assurance
Cabinet Member portfolio	Cabinet Member for Adults and Health
Decision published	27 April 2020
West Sussex Plan priority	Independence in Later Life
Electoral Divisions	All Divisions
Key Decision	Yes
Purpose	<p>In response to Government guidance and to plan the use of additional funds made available to ensure care market resilience during the current public health emergency it is proposed that additional funds be made available to domiciliary and other care providers to enable them to meet additional costs and uncertainties for a limited period.</p> <p>It is proposed that a simple across the board approach is taken rather than one tailored to the needs of individual suppliers in order to achieve a timely response and to avoid administrative burdens. It is also proposed that the arrangements are limited to three months and subject to conditions. Any longer-term proposals would be subject to further decision.</p>
Decision	The Director of Law and Assurance, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adults and Health and the Chairman of the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Committee, approves cross-market uplifts in payments to care providers for a period of three months from the 29th March to 20th June 2020, as detailed in paragraph 2 of the report.
Interest and nature of interest declared	None.
Reason for urgency	Public Health Emergency – Covid-19
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Background Papers	See report for details

