

Central Bedfordshire Council

CORPORATE RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 31 January 2019

SCHH Fees and Charges 2019/20

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This report relates to a decision that is Key

Purpose of this report:

1. The report proposes the revised Social Care Health & Housing (SCHH) Fees and Charges prices for 2019/20.
2. Identifies new services for which it is proposed that Fees or Charges will be levied from April 2019.
3. Identifies those charges where proposed increases are significantly different from the 2.4% advisory inflation increase.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is asked to:

- 1. Consider the report and associated appendices and comment as necessary to the Executive.**

Issues

The Council's Charging Policy states that '*All fees and charges will be reviewed annually and adjusted as necessary in line with the Council's charging policy. The Director of Resources will provide services with guidance each year as to the maximum inflation rate that may be applied.*'

It also states that '*All fees and charges should be reviewed on a more fundamental basis at least every 3 years, where it will be necessary to examine all the factors set out below in accordance with good practice guidance i.e. the CIPFA Practical Guide for Local Authorities on Income Generation (Fully revised 2015).* This is currently being undertaken on a rolling basis.

Council Priorities

These are identified in the attached Executive Report.

Corporate Implications

These are identified in the attached Executive Report.

Conclusion and next Steps

The comments from the September Overview & Scrutiny Committees will be presented to the Executive on the 5 February 2019.

Appendices:

Appendix 1 – SCHH Fees & Charges 2019 Executive report

Appendix A – Adult Social Care Fees & Charges Schedules 2019/20

Appendix B – Housing Fees & Charges Schedule 2019/20

Appendix C – Proposed New Charges for 2019/20