

## Non Residential charging

Set out below are examples of how three different people would be effected by the proposed changes to the way a Persons contribution is calculated.

- Increasing the percentage of available income taken into account from 85% to 100%.
- Reducing the allowance for Disability Related Expenditure (DREA) from £21 per week to £17 per week.

### Example 1

Mr A is an 85 year old Gentleman who lives alone. He receives a State Retirement Pension topped up with Pension Credit and Attendance Allowance.

He has a care package which costs Kent County Council £55 per week.

	Existing Policy	Proposed Policy	Note
Income	<u>£241.95</u>	<u>£241.95</u>	
Less Protected Income Level	£171.69	£171.69	This is the government recommended amount for living costs for a person in these circumstances.
Standard DREA	<u>£21.00</u>	<u>£17.00</u>	This is an additional amount KCC allows to cover any extra living costs associated with having a disability.
Available Income	£49.26	£53.26	This is the maximum amount he can contribute towards his social care costs.
Charge	85% <b>£41.87</b>	100% <b>£53.26</b>	The actual amount the individual should contribute to their cost of care.

Example 2

Miss F is a 54 year old lady who lives alone and has MS. Her income is made up of contribution based Employment Support Allowance, Disability Living Allowance (DLA) care component and other private income. She also receives a DLA Mobility Component but this is disregarded from the calculation.

She has a care package which costs Kent County Council £216 per week.

	Existing Policy	Proposed Policy	Note
	<u>Per week</u>	<u>Per week</u>	
Income	<u>£210.00</u>	<u>£210.00</u>	
Less Protected Income Level	£138.00	£138.00	This is the government recommended amount for living costs for a person in these circumstances.
Housing/Council Tax	£15.00	£15.00	This is an additional allowance for people who are not on means tested benefits and have to pay them. (subject to certain rules)
Standard DREA	<u>£21.00</u>	<u>£17.00</u>	This is an additional amount KCC allows to cover any extra living costs associated with having a disability.
Available Income	£36.00	£40.00	This is the maximum amount she can contribute towards her social care costs.
Charge	85% <b>£30.60</b>	100% <b>£40.00</b>	The actual amount the individual should contribute to their cost of care.

Example 3

Mrs P is a 50 year old woman who lives with her husband. They are both disabled but only Mrs P receives services from Kent County Council. Mrs P receives Incapacity Benefit and Disability Living Allowance (DLA).

She has a care package which costs Kent County Council £100 per week.

	Existing Policy	Proposed Policy	Note
	<u>Per week</u>	<u>Per week</u>	
Income	<u>£157.00</u>	<u>£157.00</u>	
Less Protected Income Level	£104.56	£104.56	This is the government recommended amount for living costs for a person in these circumstances.
Housing/Council Tax	£12.00	£12.00	This is an additional allowance for people who are not on means tested benefits and have to pay them. (subject to certain rules)
Standard DREA	<u>£21.00</u>	<u>£17.00</u>	This is an additional amount KCC allows to cover any extra living costs associated with having a disability.
Available Income	£19.79	£23.79	This is the maximum amount she can contribute towards her social care costs.
Charge	85% <b>£16.82</b>	100% <b>£23.79</b>	The actual amount the individual should contribute to their cost of care.

Note:-

1. There will of course still be those who pay full cost and as well as those who have no available income and pay no contribution towards their cost of care.
2. Charges will continue to be capped at the lesser of the Persons available income or the cost of the care package

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