



**Carers Together**

supporting and connecting carers in local communities



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# This is your guide to Paying for Care and Support

## About this guide

Although some care and support services are free, most are chargeable. This means that most people have to pay something towards their own care, and some will have to pay for all of the costs. No-one will be charged more than they can afford to pay.

This guide will help you if you have had a needs assessment and we have agreed that you are eligible for council funded social care. It explains:

- Who pays for care and support
- How we work out if you are entitled to receive care and support
- What a personal budget is and how you can use it to pay for care and support
- How we work out what you can afford to contribute towards your care and support (financial assessment)
- About deferred payment agreements
- How to get independent financial advice about paying for care and support



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