

# London Borough of Tower Hamlets Survey on changes to charging for adult social care services





We would like to ask you some questions about our proposals to change the way we charge for adult social care services. There are three options which are described in the consultation pack you have received with this questionnaire. The options are also described below.

If you would like support or more information to understand these options, you can phone the Financial Assessment team on **020 7364 2038** between the hours of 9am and 12pm Monday to Friday or contact Real on **0207 001 2175**. Real can also be contacted by email using the following address **local-link@real.org.uk**. You may want to do this before you respond to the questions in this survey.

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I am the person receiving social care support	
I am an unpaid carer (e.g. family member) responding on behalf of the person receiving social care support	
I am an adviser or other person helping the person receiving social care support to answer this survey	
I am someone else who will not be impacted directly by these changes	
2. Do you currently pay towards the cost of your social care support? (If you are responding on behalf on somebody else please answer on their behalf)	
Yes Don't know	

# There are three options we would like you to consider:

1. Please select the option that applies to you

### **Option 1**

- Increase the maximum amount people can be asked pay towards their care from £250 per week to £1,000 per week.
- Remove the £15 'standard utilities allowance'.
- Provide respite and carer relief services free of charge, if they are put in place primarily to meet the needs of a carer following a carer assessment. At the moment these services are chargeable to the person receiving adult social care services.

It is estimated that 28 people will be impacted by increasing the maximum weekly contribution. If a person is not currently contributing the maximum of £250 per week, they will not be impacted by this proposed increase.





We project that removing the 'standard utilities allowance' will impact 1,304 people. We estimate that at least 200 carers will be impacted by the changes to respite and carer relief

## **Option 2**

- Increase the maximum amount people can be asked to pay towards their care from £250 per week to £1,000 per week.
- Reduce the 'standard utilities allowance' from £15 to £5.
- Provide respite and carer relief services free of charge, if they are put in place primarily to meet the needs of a carer following a carer assessment. At the moment these services are chargeable to the person receiving adult social care services

It is estimated that 28 people will be impacted by increasing the maximum weekly contribution. If a person is not currently contributing the maximum of £250 per week, they will not be impacted by this proposed increase.

We project that reducing the 'standard utilities allowance' to £5 will impact 1,239 people. We estimate that at least 200 carers will be impacted by the changes to respite and carer relief.

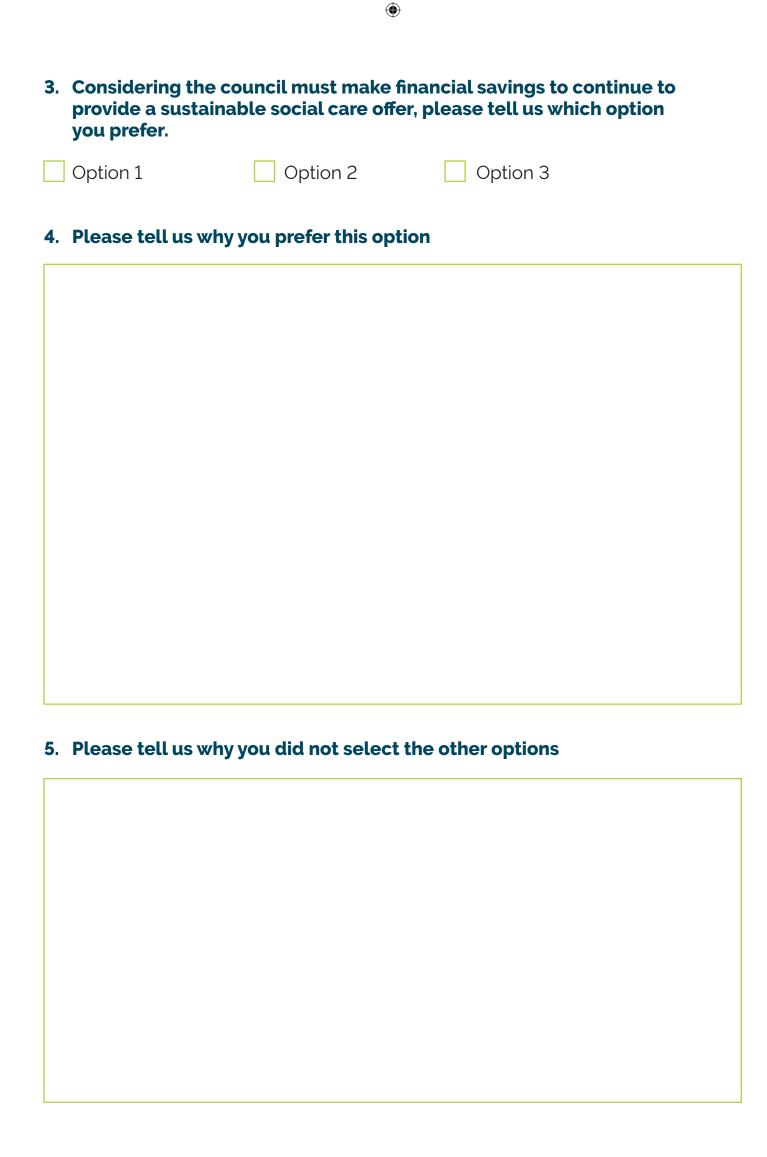
# **Option 3**

- Increase the maximum amount people can be asked to contribute towards their care from £250 per week to £300 per week.
- Remove the £15 'standard utilities allowance'.
- Provide respite and carer relief services free of charge, if they are put in place primarily to meet the needs of a carer following a carer assessment. At the moment these services are chargeable to the person receiving adult social care services

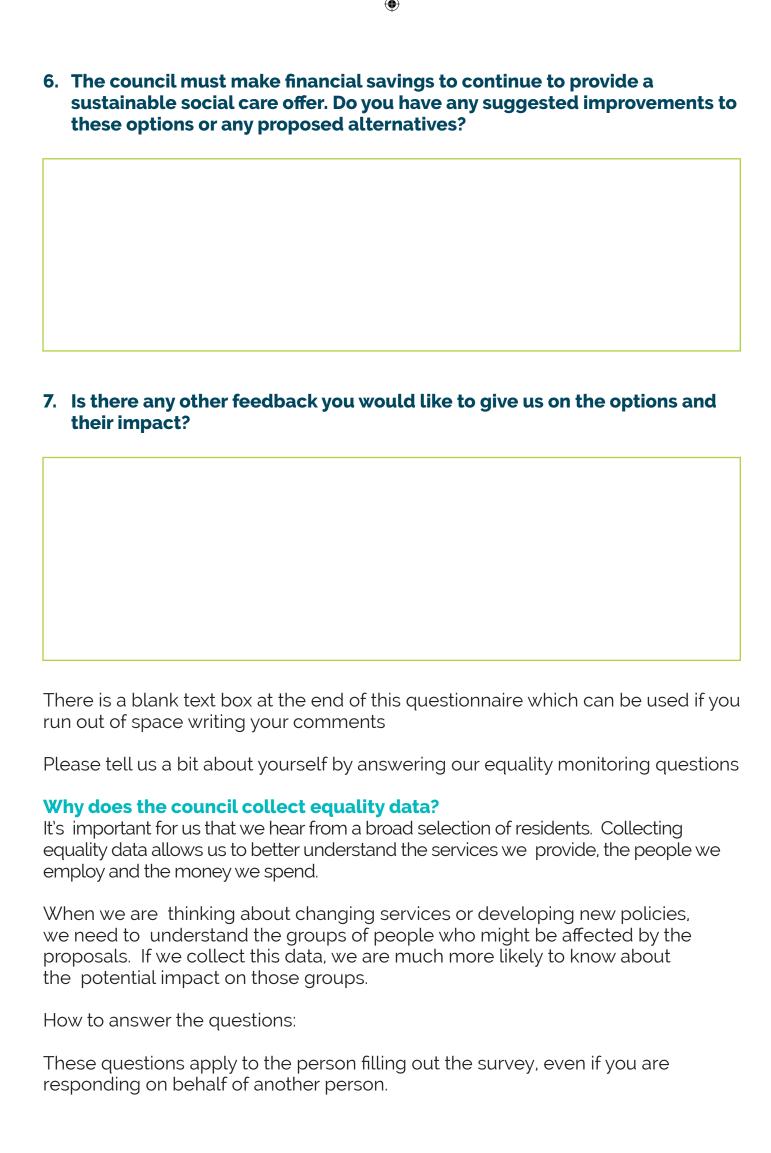
It is estimated that 28 people will be impacted by increasing the maximum weekly contribution. If a person is not currently contributing the maximum of £250 per week, they will not be impacted by this proposed increase.

To allow for a weekly maximum contribution of £300 per week, the 'standard utilities allowance' is removed in option 3. We estimate that this will impact 1,304 people. We estimate that at least 200 carers will be impacted by the changes to respite and carer relief.













These questions are not mandatory. 8. How old are you? 0 - 1516-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65-74 75-84 85+ Prefer not to say 9. Are your day-to-day activities limited because of a health problem or disability which has lasted, or is expected to last, at least 12 months (include any problems related to old age)? Prefer not to say Yes No 10. Which best describes your gender? Prefer not to say Male Female 11. Is your gender identity the same as the sex you were assigned at birth? Yes No Prefer not to say 12. Which of the following describes your sex? Man Woman Intersex Prefer not to say Prefer to self describe 13. Which of the following describes your sexual orientation? Heterosexual/straight Gay/lesbian Bi (attracted to more than one gender) Prefer to self describe Prefer not to say





14. Are you legally married or in a civil partnership?				
Yes	No	Prefer not to say		
15. Which best describes your current marital, civil partnership or cohabitation status?				
Single (never married or never registered a civil partnership)				
Married	I	n a registered civil partnership		
Separated, but still legally married				
Separated, but still in a registered civil partnership Divorced				
Formerly in a registered civil partnership which is now dissolved				
Surviving partner from a registered civil partnership				
Cohabitating with a partner				
16. Are you currently pregnant or did you give birth in the last twelve months?				
Yes	No1	Not applicable Prefer not to say		
17. How would you describe your ethnic group?				
White: British	White: Irish	White: Traveller of Irish heritage		
White: Gypsy / F	Roma	Any other White background		
Mixed: White and	d Black Caribbean	Mixed: White and Black African		
Mixed: White and	d Asian	Mixed: Any other Mixed background		
Asian / Asian Bri	tish: Indian	Asian / Asian British: Pakistani		
Asian / Asian British: Bangladeshi				
Chinese	Vietnamese	Any other Asian background		
Black / Black Br	itish: Somali	Any other background		
Prefer not to say		Black / Black British: Other Africa		
Black / Black Br	itish: Caribbean	Any other Black background		

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