

Brighton & Hove City Council

Adult Social Care & Public Health Sub-Committee

Date of meeting 10th January 2023

Agenda Item 28

LABOUR GROUP AMENDMENT

ADULT SOCIAL CARE CHARGING POLICY – 2023/2024

That the relevant changes are made to the recommendations as shown below in strikethrough and ***bold italics***:

Recommendations:

- 2.1 That Committee agrees with the current charging policy for care and support services which includes an individual financial assessment to determine affordability and complies with the requirements of Section 17 of the Care Act 2014.
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2022-23

2023-24

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Proposed by: Cllr Appich

Seconded by: Cllr Robins

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