

**RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Decision Maker</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Reason(s) for Decision</b>	<b>Alternative Options Considered</b>	<b>Conflicts of Interest Declared</b> <small>(and Dispensations granted by the Monitoring Officer)</small>	<b>Consultation with relevant Ward Member(s)</b>  <b>Yes/No</b>	<b>Subject to Call-in?</b>  <b>Yes/No</b>
06/07/2021	Portfolio Holder for Housing	To approve fees and charges for current and new Careline private pay service users. New fees attached as part of accompanying report.	Please see accompanying report. New private pay service users – There is a new telecare programme funded by Essex County Council. If a service user is not eligible for this or chooses not to engage they will not be able to access free telecare equipment and will have to fund this themselves (including monthly sim card costs). Rather than expect a service user to find all of the money upfront, Careline will rent the equipment to the service user in the form of increased monthly fees. Current private pay service users – Direct costs at Careline have increased over the past two years and fees now need to be increased to cover these costs.	The option was considered that new private pay service users could pay the same fee as current service users however Careline would then have to bear the cost of the equipment that is installed and would become unviable. The option was also considered to leave fees unchanged for current service users however as direct costs have increased Careline would become unviable.	N/A	N/A	Yes

**URGENT DECISIONS ONLY (If non-urgent go to “Agreement to Decision” below):-**

<b>GENERAL EXCEPTION APPLIES?</b> (Rule 14 Access to Information Procedure Rules)	YES/NO	If yes, has at least 5 clear days notice been given to the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee?	YES/NO
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<b>SPECIAL URGENCY APPLIES?</b> (Rule 15 Access to Information Procedure Rules)	YES/NO	If yes, has the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee's consent been obtained?	YES/NO
<b>EXEMPTION FROM CALL-IN APPLIES?</b> (Rule 18i Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules)	YES/NO	If yes, has the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee's consent been obtained?	YES/NO
<b>URGENT &amp; OUTSIDE BUDGET OR POLICY FRAMEWORK?</b> (Rule 6 Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules)	YES/NO	If yes, why is it not practical to convene a quorate meeting of full Council?	
		If yes, has the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee's consent been obtained?	YES/NO
<b>AGREEMENT TO DECISION:-</b>			
Signed:-  Cllr. Paul Honeywood Decision Maker	Date:-  06/07/2021	Delegated Power Reference (in Part 3 of the Constitution):-  3.34 ref 4.2.1	

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