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Dear Mr Taylforth

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for Information, received on 30 November 2012 and clarified by email received on 14 December 2012. You requested:

1. Please could you provide information as to the main differences in the type of care that is funded by the council under FAC criteria and the type of care which has been funded by the Independent Living Fund (ILF). (Could you perhaps highlight things that LA Care packages would not usually cover that ILF would or visa versa)

The type of care funded under FACS criteria, including council funded care direct payments, includes: floating support, supported living (in terms of 1:1 and shared support residential care - including respite), home care, day opportunities (in house and external) and transport to activities.

ILF can provide funding for support (1:1) in supported living, floating support, Personal Assistants, but does not cover residential care or transport.

2) Please could you provide the numbers of care packages which include overnight care. If possible can you provide this for the past 5 years, and also if possible can you show which of these are jointly funded with ILF or just LA funded.

We are sorry to inform you that we do not hold pertinent information with regard to ILF. This is because ILF information is not routinely recorded and a dataset is not maintained.

Based on 'waking night' and 'sleep-in' commissioned service elements, there have been the following number of care packages with overnight care in the previous 5 years. Please note that numbers may be understated for 2010/11and earlier.

2008-09: 9

2009-10: 11

2010-11: 15

2011-12: 26

2012-13: 34

Overall these are attributed to 52 distinct clients

3) Please could you provide information on the number of LA funded care visits which last for 30 minutes or less, expressed in percentage or numerical terms of all care visits. [In question 3 over the last 12 months will be fine].

There have been 563,759 visits since April 2012 to date, of which 176,727 (31.35%) are for 30 minutes or less.

4) Please could you provide information of any projected reduction in budget within Adult Social care over the next 5 years and indeed details of any reduction in budget over the last 2 years. [In question 4 i would like some indication of how much the current difficult financial situation is affecting adult Social Care. Most LA's are having to make reductions to services and have been given less government funding, so i would like to see year on year figures to show the budget levels allocated to adult social care].

We are sorry to inform you that we do not hold pertinent information with regard to Adult Social Care budgets beyond 2013/14. This is because the Council has not yet set any budgets for future years on a directorate basis. Please find attached a link to the latest update on the medium term financial strategy

http://democracy.camden.gov.uk/documents/s23552/December%202012%20MTFS%20Final.pdf

Appendix B of the attached document identifies the 2011/12 – 2013/14 savings target for Housing and Adult Social Care. Lines E10, E8, E11 are Social Care related savings.

The Council's latest budget book (2011/12) can be accessed via the link below. Page 45 of this document identifies Adult Social Care expenditure in 2010/11 and the 2011/12 and 2012/13 budgets. The 2013/14 budget book will be published once the democratic process has been finished.

http://www.camden.gov.uk/ccm/cms-service/download/asset?asset_id=2804541

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