

**TRAFFORD COUNCIL**

**STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION**

<b><u>DATE OF DECISION</u></b>	17 <sup>th</sup> January 2011	<b><u>DECISION MAKER</u></b>
<b><u>DECISION REFERENCE</u></b>	E/17.01.11-5	<b>Executive</b> (Councillors Anstee, Colledge, Cornes, Coupe, Holden, Mitchell, J.R. Reilly, Mrs. Turner, A. Williams and M. Young)
<b><u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u></b>		
<u>Proposal to change to Adult Social Care Community Services Charging Arrangements for Service Users with over £50,000 of Disposable Capital</u>		
(1) That the Charging Subsidy for service users with over £50,000 of capital be removed, with effect from 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2011.		
(2) That a discretionary review be undertaken of those Service Users in receipt of large packages of Care, in excess of 28 hours per week, and consideration be given to capping these charges at 28 hours or £350 per week.		
<b><u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u></b>		
<p>The proposal is in support of clear messages from Central Government about Councils looking to maximise income and charges and also feedback from the Trafford Citizen's Debate where significant numbers of residents stated that the council should increase charges when possible.</p> <p>The proposal will increase charges recovered by the Council and will only affect those people who have significant amounts of Disposable Capital (excluding their property) and who might reasonably be expected to pay the full cost of their care services.</p>		
<b><u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u></b>		
Options to delay implementation and to automatically cap the full cost charging at 28 hours of home care per week.		
<b><u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY DISPENSATION</u></b>		
None.		

**IMPLEMENTATION DATE**

**27<sup>th</sup> January 2011** (Sixth working day after publication, unless called in).

**PUBLICATION DATE**

19<sup>th</sup> January 2011

**RECORDED BY:**

Interim Director of Legal and Democratic Services

**RETURN TO DEMOCRATIC SERVICES DIVISION, ROOM 125, TRAFFORD TOWN HALL, TALBOT ROAD, STRETFORD, M32 0TH, AS SOON AS A DECISION IS MADE OR AS REASONABLY PRACTICABLE THEREAFTER.**