

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

You asked:

1) Do you currently use pre-paid cards to deliver and handle funding associated with adult social care?

We do not currently use pre-paid cards to deliver and handle funding associated with Adult Social Care.

2) If yes,

Not applicable

i) How many people are currently receiving their funding with the use of a pre-paid card?

ii) Of this number of people, how many are known to have a learning disability?

3) If no,

i) Are you currently using prepaid cards in any other council department for a different purpose?

We do not use any pre-paid cards in any other department for another purpose.

ii) Do you plan on using pre-paid cards to deliver and handle funding associated with adult social care in the near future?

A feasibility study is due to be undertaken by the end of June 2013 to examine the costs and benefits of pre-paid cards. Following this study a decision will be taken on whether or not to introduce/pilot pre-paid cards.

iii) If you are planning on using pre-paid cards to deliver and handle funding associated with adult social care in the near future, have you set any specific goals or time scales?

No specific goals or timescales have been set, other than for the feasibility study to be undertaken by the end of June 2013.

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