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Via e-mail to:  
Community Support Providers

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Community Support Providers

**RE: Community Services Provider Fees Consultation 2021/22 – Extension to Consultation Period**

I am writing to update you following the fee consultation meetings on the 10<sup>th</sup> March (Supported Living and Extra Care) and the 17<sup>th</sup> March (Domiciliary Care and Community Support).

Following consideration of the responses we have received to date and the above meetings, we have decided to extend the current consultation from midnight on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March to **midnight on the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021**.

The extension will enable more time for you to provide a response. A revised timeline will be posted on the provider webpage of the Councils Website, the link as previously provided is: <https://www.sefton.gov.uk/social-care/social-care-provider-information/community-support-provision-information-including-domiciliary-care-and-day-care/>

The presentations shared at the above-mentioned meetings will also be on the webpage, together with the respective initial high-level Equality Impact Assessments; which will be further populated throughout the consultation.

Please do not hesitate to contact the lead officers for the consultation if you have any questions or would like further information:

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As a result, please note the following revised timeline;

Ref	Action	Target Date
1	Confirm Proposals and Process to All Providers (Letter to all providers to confirm proposals and consultation process)	18 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
2	Period for Consultation Responses from Providers (Providers to supply comments, information and evidence on the matters consulted on)	18 <sup>th</sup> January – 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
3	Assessment and Analysis of Responses (Assessment and analysis of comments, information and evidence supplied by Providers together with other information available to the Authority)	6 <sup>th</sup> April 2021 – 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
4	Letter to All Providers (Provide feedback to Providers, outlining proposals to be considered by Cabinet Member)	13 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
5	Cabinet Member Report Published (Cabinet Member Report published for Decision)	Week commencing 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
6	Cabinet Member Decision (Cabinet Member Decision recorded)	27 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
7	<b>2021/22 Fees Published (Following expiry of “call-in” period for Decision)</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> May 2021

Finally, I would also like to remind you of the importance of submitting a response to the fee consultation proposal if you have not already done so, as previously stated the closing date is now midnight on the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Yours faithfully



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