# **Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision**





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Subject:

Implementation of the Adult Social Care Transport Policy

**Total Value:** 

£750,000 (Type: Revenue)

**Decision Being Taken:** 

To implement the Adult Social Care Transport Policy as detailed in appendix 1 with effect from April 3rd 2018.

Reasons for the Decision(s)

Nottingham City Council is committed to maintaining quality services for elderly, disabled and vulnerable people. However the numbers of people requiring these services will continue to rise over the coming years and within the climate of the current budget reductions, Nottingham City Council needs to consider how to sustain these services. The Nottingham City Adult Social Care Transport Policy is one proposal to help maintain these essential services as it requires citizens who are in receipt of mobility related benefits, concessionary travel passes, or have the ability to use public transport after a period of training to use these benefits or skills to travel to services.

Consultation on the Adult Social Care Transport Policy took place between January 8th 2018 and February 16th 2018. The consultation process involved all current citizens (483) using transport provided directly by Passenger Services Transport, commissioned by Passengers Services Transport or funded through a direct payment being sent a letter (appendix 2) explaining about the consultation process and a survey (appendix 3) to complete to enable them to make their views known on how transport would be provided and funded. A telephone helpline was also set up during the 6 week consultation period and was available 10am - 12 noon and 2pm - 4pm Monday to Friday. The responses of the consultation are summarised in appendix 4.

**Briefing notes documents:** 

Appendix 1 Transport Policy April 2018.pdf, Appendix 2 ASC Transport letter Final.doc, Appendix 3 2018 Transport Survey Final.doc, Appendix 4 ASC Transport Survey Results 19.2.2018.docx

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Other Options Considered:	1 - Do nothing. This is not an option as the current funding for Adult Social Care transport is not sustainable.
Background Papers:	
Published Works:	
Affected Wards:	Citywide
Colleague / Councillor Interests:	
Consultations:	Date: 06/01/2018  Other:With affected citizens commenced 6.1.2018 to 16.2.2018  Please refer to Appendix 4 (Transport Survey Outcome)  Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.
Crime and Disorder Implications:	There are no crime and disorder implications associated with this decision.
Equality:	Please login to the system to view the EIA document: EIA Transport Policy - Adult Social Care.doc
Decision Type:	Portfolio Holder
Subject to Call In:	Yes
Call In Expiry date:	19/03/2018
Advice Sought:	Legal, Finance, Equality and Diversity

### Legal Advice:

There are no legal issues with the new Transport Policy. Legal advice has been sought and received in the processes of drafting and consulting on this policy.

Claire Knowles Team Leader

Children & Adults Legal Team

05.03.18 Advice provided by Claire Knowles (Team Leader) on 05/03/2018.

#### Finance Advice:

It is estimated that the introduction of the proposed Adult Social Care Transport Policy will result in a reduction in spend of £0.750m in a full year based on current levels of social care provision. This decision will contribute to savings included in the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) and support a sustainable level of social care services.

Advice provided by Darren Revill (Senior Commercial Business Partner) on 08/03/2018.

## **Equality and Diversity Advice:**

The proposal offers an opportunity to further independence and as such meet the Public Sector Equality Duty to ensure equality of opportunity, however any policy review and implementation must ensure that the most vulnerable are not adversely impacted and as such effective and on-going monitoring and review will need to be fully embedded into any revised process. Advice provided by Adisa Djan (Equalities and Diversity Consultant) on 05/03/2018.

## **Signatures**

Nick McDonald (PH for Adults and Health)

**SIGNED and Dated: 09/03/2018** 

Helen Jones (Director for Adult Social Services (DASS))

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