

This letter seeks your views on proposed changes to adult social care Transport. If you would like help understanding this letter please ring 0115 8764100 The helpline will be open from Monday 8th January 2018 to Friday 16th February 2018 10am – 12 noon and 2pm - 4pm weekdays.

Dear

Re: 2018 Adult Social Care Transport Policy Consultation – Have Your Say

We are committed to supporting elderly, disabled and vulnerable people to be as independent as possible in all aspects of their lives. Travel is seen as an important aspect to retain independence and the Council is keen to support this.

We have been looking at how we support citizens with their transport needs because we believe that we can do this better by helping people to be more independent with their travel. We have also been looking at how people use their mobility benefits and transport passes to support them with their travel.

We think that by helping those who can travel independently to do so, plus encouraging citizens in receipt of mobility benefit and travel passes use them whenever possible, is the right thing to do. This will not only be better for the individual but also mean that the Council can continue to support those citizens who need support with the limited money available.

To make this happen we want to introduce an adult social care Transport Policy. This will be a guide to make sure that when we support people with their transport needs, we do so in a way that promotes independence while ensuring that we spend the available funding carefully.

What could this mean for me?

For now, nothing is about to change but we do want you to let us know your thoughts on:

- Whether or not citizens should be supported to use public transport where it is safe to do so.
- Asking citizens who can afford to pay for their transport to do so.
- Asking citizens who have transport passes to use them to get to and from places where they want to go.
- Asking citizens whether or not it is right for them to use their mobility benefits for their transport needs.

What happens next?

At the moment we are consulting on the Transport Policy. This means we want to hear from you about this.

We would be very grateful if you could complete the attached questionnaire and return it to us by using the pre-paid envelope provided.

If you have internet access you can complete the questionnaire online at www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/ascchargeshaveyoursay

The closing date for completed questionnaires is 16.2.2018

Should you require the questionnaire in an alternative format or help with understanding it, please do not hesitate to contact us by telephone on 0115 8764100 weekdays 10am – 12noon and 2pm – 4pm up until 16.2.2018 or email engage@nottinghamcity.gov.uk with your specific request.

Yours sincerely

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