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London Borough of Sutton Questionnaire on Fairer Contributions Policy

The Council would like to know what you think about the following proposals. Please refer to the consultation document when completing your questionnaire:

At present our charges are linked to the services you use. For some services, what we charge is less than the actual cost of the service. For some we charge the actual cost. This means that the Council subsidises some services, but not others. We propose to remove **all** the subsidies, to make the contributions policy fair to all. We will ensure that individuals have enough money in their Personal Budgets to enable them to pay for services that meet their agreed care needs. We will expect individuals to pay a contribution of up to 100% of their Personal Budget, but no-one will be asked to pay more than they can afford. (decided through completion of a financial assessment).

Q1. Do you think that it is fair that all individuals are treated the same and that the Council should move away from different levels of subsidy for different services? Please refer to page 10 of the consultation document.

I agree 😊 I neither agree or disagree 🤔 I disagree 😞

In future, those individuals who can afford to pay will be asked to pay the full cost of the services they use and there will be no hidden subsidies. The weekly maximum charge of £360 will be removed. Individuals will not be asked to contribute more that they can afford to. (decided through completion of a financial assessment). Please refer to page 10 of the consultation document.

Q2. Do you agree that it is fair to remove the weekly maximum charge of £360?

I agree 😊 I neither agree or disagree 🤔 I disagree 😞

Q12. What gender are you? (please tick one box)

- White - British
- White - Irish
- White - Other (Please tick and state below)
- Mixed - White & Black Caribbean
- Mixed - White & Black African
- Mixed - White & Asian
- Mixed - Other (Please tick and state below)
- Asian or Asian British - Indian
- Asian or Asian British - Pakistani
- Asian or Asian British - Bangladeshi
- Asian or Asian British - Other (Please tick and state below)
- Black or Black British - Caribbean
- Black or Black British - African
- Black or Black British - Other (Please tick and state below)
- Chinese
- Other

If you have ticked 'White - Other', 'Mixed - Other', 'Black or Black British - Other', 'Asian or Asian British - Other' or 'Other' please state below

Q14. Which one of these best describes you? (please tick one box)

- Service user
- Member of the public
- Carer
- Social Services Staff
- Provider Agency
- Voluntary organisation (please tick and state below)
- Other (please tick and state below)

Thank you very much for your time in completing the survey, please return your survey in the envelope provided. We will feedback the results of the survey via our website and our regular publication, Sutton Scene.

Q3. Do you think you will be one of the individuals affected by these changes?

- Yes, I would be affected 😞
- No, I would not be affected 😊
- I don't know whether I would be affected 🤔

Q4. Transport is not currently charged for. For example, someone who uses Council provided transport to get to a service, pays the same as someone who does not. We propose that those individuals who choose to use Council funded Transport pay towards its cost, if they can afford to do so. Please refer to page 10 of the consultation document.

Do you think this is fair?

- I agree 😊
- I neither agree or disagree 🤔
- I disagree 😞

Q5. Whilst we are making changes, we are considering limiting the increase in charges for an individual, during the first year. Do you agree or disagree that the Council should limit the amount by which payments increase in the first year? Please refer to page 12 of the consultation document.

- I agree 😊
- I neither agree or disagree 🤔
- I disagree 😞

Q6. If you agree that increases in financial contributions should be limited in the first year, how much do you think any increase should be limited to?

- No more than £20 per week (£1040 for the year)
- No more than £30 per week (£1560 for the year)

Q7. Do you think you would benefit if we limited the increase in financial contributions for the first year?

- Yes, I think I would benefit.
- No, I do not think I would benefit.

Q8. Do you think that people who can afford to pay for their services should be asked to do so?

- I agree 😊
- I neither agree or disagree 🤔
- I disagree 😞

We would like to make sure we have a range of responses from different parts of the community; please can you complete the information below.

Q9. What gender are you? *(please tick one box)*

- Male
- Female

Q10. What age are you? *(please tick one box)*

- 16 - 24
- 25 - 34
- 35 - 44
- 45 - 54
- 55 - 64
- 65 - 74
- 75 - 84
- 85+

Q11. What is your postcode? *(please write in the boxes below)*

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