

PWYLLGOR CRAFFU IECHYD A GWASANAETHAU  
CYMDEITHASOL

25 GORFFENNAF 2024

Y PWNC:  
TALIADAU UNIONGYRCHOL

**Y Pwrpas:**

Mae'r Pwyllgor Craffu wedi gofyn am drosolwg ac adroddiad diweddar ar y gwaith mewn perthynas â thaliadau uniongyrchol.

**GOFYNNIR I'R PWYLLGOR CRAFFU:-**

Adolygu ac asesu'r wybodaeth sydd wedi ei chynnwys yn yr adroddiad a rhoi unrhyw argymhellion, sylwadau neu gyngor i'r Aelod Cabinet a/neu'r Cyfarwyddwr.

**Y Rheswm/Y Rhesymau**

Ceisio sicrhwydd bod taliadau uniongyrchol yn cael eu datblygu yn unol â'r gofynion rheoleiddio a'u bod yn hybu llais, dewis a rheolaeth defnyddwyr gwasanaeth.

**YR AELOD CABINET SY'N GYFRIFOL AM Y PORTFFOLIO:-**

Y Cyngorydd J. Tremlett, Aelod Cabinet dros Iechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol

**Y Gyfarwyddiaeth**

Cymunedau

**Enw Pennaeth y  
Gwasanaeth:**

Chris Harrison

**Awdur yr Adroddiad:**

Alison Watkins

Dyfan Jones

**Swyddi:**

Pennaeth Cyd-gomisiynu Strategol (Sir  
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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**  
**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**  
**25<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024**

**DIRECT PAYMENTS**

**1. BRIEF SUMMARY OF PURPOSE OF REPORT.**

Direct payments are cash payments that local authorities can make to Individuals with a care and support plan so that they can organise their own services to meet their social care needs. Direct Payments allow individuals greater flexibility, choice and control as individuals are able to purchase their own services to support them to achieve their personal outcomes.

The attached report provides an update on the Direct Payments Service in Carmarthenshire. It sets out the progress achieved since transferring the management and support functions in April 2021 into the Council and highlights our intentions for further developments.

**DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?**

**YES**

# IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed:     **Chris Harrison**            **Head of Strategic Joint Commissioning (Carmarthenshire & Pembrokeshire)**

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets	Bio-diversity & Climate Change
<b>NONE</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>

## 2. Legal

The Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 provides the statutory framework for improving the well-being outcomes of adults and children who need care and support and carers who need support. It has a particular focus on voice and control so people have control over their own care and support and can make decisions about it as an equal partner.

The ***Care and Support (Direct Payments) (Wales) Regulations 2015*** issued under the ***Social Services and Well-being Wales Act 2014*** contain the rules underpinning the operation of direct payments by local authorities in Wales. Direct payments can be made to adults with care and support needs, children with care and support needs, and carers with support needs.

## 3. Finance

Direct payments are cash payments that local authorities can make to Individuals with a care and support plan so that they can organise their own services to meet their social care needs. The cash payment (monetary value) is based on the support hours within the individual's care and support plan.

The spend profile for Direct Payment is contained within the report. Direct Payments are also a chargeable service. This means that the authority will assess recipients' financial contribution towards this direct payment in accordance with the Care and Support (Financial Assessment) (Wales) Regulations 2015 and Care and Support (Charging) (Wales) Regulations 2015.

<b>CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED</b> YES	<b>Include any observations here</b>
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**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information  
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

**THERE ARE NONE**

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection