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Council Meeting

6 December 2012

Motion: A Fair Deal For Social Care Clients

This council notes that according to the latest census figures Torbay has 9,500 residents of 80 years of age or greater and that this represents almost twice the national average figure for this age group. This is without doubt the age group most likely to be in need of long term social care.

This Council notes that the report of the Commission on Funding of Care and Support chaired by Andrew Dilnot was sent to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the then Secretary of State for Health on 4th July 2010. The report recommended, inter alia:

- a) that a cap should be set on an individual's contributions, and
- b) that the upper threshold for means-testing should be raise.

This Council calls upon Her Majesty's Government to:

- i. bring forward legislation to implement these two proposals without any further delay; and
- ii. ensure that the necessary funding provided to all local authorities is based upon the demographics of the eligible population rather than an arbitrary formula.

The Council calls on the Chief Operating Officer to write to the Secretary of State for Health outlining these concerns.

Proposer: Andrew Baldrey
Secunder: Steve Darling