

Decision Schedule

Cabinet Member for Social Services



TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The Cabinet Member took the following decisions on 25 July 2024. They will become effective at Noon on 2 August 2024 with the exception of any particular decision, which is the subject of a valid "call-in".

The deadline for submission of a 'Call-in' request form is 4.00 pm on 1 August 2024.

Information relating to the 'Call-in' process can be found via [Democratic Services](#).

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Protection of Property

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

There were circumstances in which Newport City Council must protect the moveable property of an individual.

Property included pets.

The provision of S58 of the Social Services and Wellbeing Act applied to the moveable property of people aged 16 plus.

Legal advice from Newport City Council legal was that there was a responsibility to protect premises in addition to moveable property.

Protection of Property provision only included the protection of a premises where there was agreement/by arrangement with the person or their representative to do so.

Newport City Council could recover costs incurred due to exercising protection of property responsibility – but had no consistent process to do so.

Newport City Council had a service level agreement in place to assist with this function. In 2024 this was Norse Facilities Management.

Decision

The Cabinet Member for Social Services took the decision to:

1. Consolidate practice in relation to the protection of individuals' property.
2. Introduce a consistent charging approach.
3. Introduce charging as outlined in fees and charging report 2024-2025.

Consultation

Head of Law and Standards, Head of Finance and Head of People, Policy and Transformation

All members were consulted and provided with an opportunity to comment. Any comments received and response thereafter are set out in the report.

Implemented By: Head of Adult Services
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

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