



Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 101578
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Independent Living Fund

Request:

1. How many former Independent Living Fund (ILF) recipients reside in your authority area?
76
2. How many former ILF recipients have had community care assessments since the closure of the ILF fund?
76
3. How many former ILF recipients who have had community care assessments have had their care packages reduced following the assessment?
39 care packages were reduced
4. How many former ILF recipients who have had community care assessments have had reductions in levels of care package funding and/or support of under 10%? - **13**
How many have had reductions of between 10 and 20%? - **16**
How many have had reductions of between 21% and 40%? - **7**
How many have had reductions of between 41% and 50% ? - **0**
How many have had reductions of over 50% ? - **3**
5. What % of former ILF recipients, who have had a cut to their care package come from the following impairment groups:
people with learning difficulties/disabilities;} - **23**
people with cognitive impairments; - }
people with physical impairments; - **13**
people with long term health conditions; people with mental health issues? - **3**
6. How many former ILF recipients who have had community care assessments were provided with independent advocacy as detailed in the Care Act 2014?
All were offered independent advocacy, however most used family or friends, some self advocated. None took up the offer of independent (formal advocacy).
7. How much funding did your authority receive from the Department for Communities and Local Government for your INDEPENDENT LIVING FUND GRANT DETERMINATION (2015/16)?

£825,192

8. What was the quarterly spend on ILF payments to ILF recipients residing in your authority prior to the closure of the ILF at the end of June 2015?

£206,298

9. How is this funding being used?

The funding is being used to continue to support disabled people to live independently in their own homes.

10. Are any former ILF recipients moving from their own home into residential care or supported housing following their community care assessment?

No

11. Have any former ILF recipients had support replaced with the use of incontinence pads as part of the reassessment process and if so how many?

No

12. Did your authority carry out an Equality Impact Assessment regarding the impact of the closure of the ILF and transfer of responsibilities to the Council including the decision whether or not to ring fence the transition funding? If so please send me a copy.

Yes we did carry out an Equality Impact Assessment – this will follow on shortly.