



Your local resource for information and advice on all aspects of Self-Directed Support (SDS)

This is the first of our new monthly updates. We want to let you know what we are doing and how you can get involved.

Health and Social Care Charging Policy Update

The February 26th Council Meeting considered the proposal to introduce charges for non-residential care in East Renfrewshire.

A majority of elected members voted to defer this decision until April 2026. This is subject to the Integration Joint Board (IJB) bringing a paper back to full Council in October with an updated Equality, Fairness and Rights Impact Assessment (EFRIA), an update on how income maximisation for potentially affected service users will be delivered as well as the recommended charging level.

We will keep you updated on any new developments.

SDS Forum Roadshow

We will be out and about in March with our Information Stall and will be on hand to explain more about what we do and answer any of your SDS related questions.

Here is where you can find us.

Monday 17th

10-1pm Barrhead Health Centre

Tuesday 18th

11-1pm Eastwood Health Centre

Friday 21st

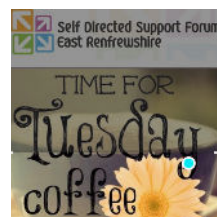
10-1pm Barrhead Foundry

Please come along and say hello if you can. We would love to see you.

A new law will come into force in April 2025 that will make it a legal requirement for Personal Assistants employed through Self-Directed Support to join the Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) scheme.

Please join us on Zoom on **Wednesday 19th March 6.30pm till 8pm** to find out more.

Please register at: **0141 638 2525**
or email **Admin@sdsforumer.org**



Our next Coffee Morning is at the Redhurst Hotel Giffnock on

Tuesday April 1st
@10.30am till 12.30pm

There is no need to book. Please just pop in for a coffee and a chat.

We are also looking to offer something similar in Barrhead and will hopefully have more to say on that soon.

We are always looking to grow the Forum. We welcome anyone who lives or work in East Renfrewshire and who may be interested to get in touch and find out more about what we do.

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