

Helping you take control of your Self-Directed Support

HSCP Charges for Non Residential Care

The first invoices for non-residential care charges are now being sent out by the HSCP. Everyone receiving a chargeable service has been offered a financial assessment and income maximisation support to establish how much, if anything, you should pay.

If you have not completed a financial assessment you will be charged the full cost of the services you receive. You can still get one by contacting the Money Advice and Rights Team (MART) - on **0141 577 8420** or email **mart@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk** - so your charge can be based on affordability. Also if your financial situation has changed since you completed your financial assessment MART can look at that again and complete a new one.

You can appeal your assessed contribution and/or disability related expenditure (DRE) within 28 days of being notified of the charge. To discuss an appeal please contact the **HSCP Financial Support Officers** on **0141 451 0744** or email: **fso@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk**

SDS Forum Communication Focus Group

The notes from our focus group meeting on September 1st are now available to view on our website. Just click here - [SDS Forum Communication Focus Group Notes September 1st](#)

We can also email them to you if you are prefer. We are planning a follow up meeting in November. More information will follow in the next Bulletin but meantime if you are interested in joining the discussion please let us know.

Can You Help Us?

Our Scottish Government funding is due for renewal in March 2027 and we're now starting to pull together an evaluation of the work we have delivered and the impact it has had over the past three years. This will help us demonstrate the value of our services and provide evidence to support our application for continued funding beyond March 2027.

As part of this process you may receive a short evaluation form from us by email. We would be very grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete it and share your experiences with us. We would really appreciate your comments, feedback, suggestions and any ideas for improvement.

Your experiences and views will help us demonstrate the difference our services have made and will form an important part of the evaluation report we submit to the Scottish Government. Thank you in advance for taking the time to share your feedback and for your continued support.

More Legal Sessions in November and December



We have lawyer Lynne Lind back for some more online and in person legal information sessions in November and December. All these will be 6pm till 8pm.

- **November 19th** Online - covering Power of Attorney, Guardianship and Trusts.
- **November 26th** in person - free 15 minute consultation slots
- **December 3rd** in person - free 15 minute consultation slots
- **December 10th** in person - free 15 minute consultation slots

Should you wish further legal assistance after this then that will become chargeable

The venue is still to be confirmed for the consultation slots. We will share this on social media when we get it.

Places are limited for slots. Please contact us to book one and for joining instructions for the 19th.

What we are up to this month

MONTHLY DROP-IN

Everyone Welcome!

THE REDHURST HOTEL

TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER

1.00PM - 2.30PM

We're trying something a little different this month! Our monthly drop-in is moving to the afternoon to see if this time works better for people and improves numbers.

Come along for a cuppa, a chat, support and information. We hope you can join us!

NO NEED TO BOOK!
Just show up on the day!

Create Your Own Halloween Wreath

Join us and create your own personalised Halloween wreath.

This event is open to adults with an SDS budget or care for someone who does.

Hosts
Self Directed Support Forum East Renfrewshire

Tuesday 20th October

11am - 1pm

We will provide refreshments

Come along and be part of the event!

Get creative... get festive!

Spaces are limited!

To book a place please email admin@sdsforumer.org

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