

FUNDING CARE

A GUIDE FOR RESIDENTS AND FAMILIES

In 2021 the government set out their new rules for Care Payments in their “Build Back Better: Our Plan for Health and Social Care” publication.

This included new rules on increasing the upper and lower thresholds for local authority funded care in England. The lower thresholds increasing from £14,250 to £20,000, with the upper threshold increasing from £23,250 to £100,000.

There isn't currently a cap on Care Fees in the UK, however the government had announced that from 2025, the most anyone will spend on their own personal care over their lifetime is £86,000. At the end of July 2024 the new government announced that this cap will not be introduced.

Funding care remains a difficult and complicated matter for people dealing with it for the first time and we will have to wait to see how the new government addresses this situation.

Middleton Hall Fees

Middleton Hall has different fee levels for each of the care services. We publish our fees annually and provide information on the different funding that may be available. Residents and families have this information made available and this can be read in conjunction with this Funding Care Guide.

Residents fee levels are based on the level of care that they may require

- We believe it is fair that if someone's care needs require considerable staff time, they will pay higher fees than someone who remains relatively self-caring.
- Throughout Middleton Hall, residents pay different fee rates depending on the level of care input that is required, and also the type of accommodation that is chosen.
- Each resident's care needs are assessed to determine that these can be met within one of the care services in Middleton Hall.
- Where possible, the assessment is carried out with the resident and/or their relative, so we have the most accurate and up to date information. Our assessment process is designed to be fair and transparent. We also may need to obtain information from other Healthcare Professionals.

- Each resident's care needs are re-assessed regularly which may result in the care fee being adjusted, should the resident's care needs change. E.g. care fees may need to be increased if the level of dependency increases.

Our Care Fees reflect the high level of Services and Facilities on offer

- As we offer an enhanced range of services and facilities within the different care services at Middleton Hall, our fee rates are generally above the rates which the Local Authority will fund. This means that any resident who may be entitled to receive some Local Authority funding will need to pay a "top up" to meet the assessed fee rate at Middleton Hall

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