# Care Act Overview and Consultation on Charging Update

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## **Key Elements - 1**

- Wellbeing Principle
- High quality Advice and Information
- Prevention and Early Intervention
- Introduces a new national minimum eligibility threshold



## Key Elements - 2

- Carers new duties including duty to provide support
- Independent advocacy
- Personal Budgets and Direct Payments
- Universal Deferred Payment Agreements
- Safeguarding new statutory duties including Safeguarding Adults Boards
- Managing the Market duty to give support to failing providers
- Care Accounts and the Care Cap (from April 2016)



### **Consultation on Care Act: 5 January – 2 March 2015**

- National requirement critical and substantial needs
- Discretionary powers regarding financial charging
- Charging for residential care (previously mandatory)
- Development of universal deferred payment schemes
- Charging self funders for support planning and brokerage services
- Further development of Direct Payment schemes
- Charging for preventative services
- Disability Related Expenditure







## **Consultation on Charging Arrangements**

#### Next steps:

- Currently analysing the responses to the consultation, 61 in-depth responses
- Report on consultation to Cabinet in March 2015
- Implementation of new arrangements from April 2015 and review
- Further engagement with residents in late 2015 regarding April 2016 changes, care cap and 'Dilnot' care accounts subject to national government response to current national consultation

