East Lothian Council

FOI Ref: 2018/549986

I am writing on the 15th of October 2018 to request information regarding costs paid to care providers and landlords providing Adult Social Care services to individuals with learning disabilities/mental health difficulties.

Care Providers - supported living

1) How many care providers of Supported Living for adults with learning disabilities/mental health does the council have contracts with? If possible, please list these providers.

There are 15 providers on our framework:

Beyond Homecare

Allied

Call In

Careline Homecare

Crossreach

Delight Supproted Living

Elcap

Enable

McSense

Mears Homecare

Penumbra

With You

Real Life Options

SCRT

Thera

2) What is the highest hourly rate paid to providers for adult learning disabilities/mental health Supported Living Services?

The average hourly rate is £16.35

3) What is the lowest hourly rate paid to providers for adult learning disabilities/mental health Supported Living Services?

The average hourly rate is £16.35

4) If a list of providers is available, please state the average hourly pay to each provider.

The average hourly rate is £16.35

East Lothian Council

FOI Ref: 2018/549986

Accommodation classed as supported living:

1) A list of supported living accommodation providers (social landlords, voluntary providers, housing associations .etc) that the council has contracts with, or has individuals in placement with, that have a learning disability or mental health difficulty.

Castle Rock Edinvar, ELHA, Homes for Life

2) The highest rent the council pays to landlords for individual rents for tenants with a learning disability/mental health difficulty.

The council does not pay "rent" to landlords but £290.12 per week is currently the highest housing benefit paid in supported accommodation

3) The lowest rent the council pays to landlords for individual rents learning disability/mental health difficulty.

As above - £77.08 per week Housing Benefit is the lowest paid

- 4) If possible, please state the average rent (if not available gross rent or other rent paid) to individual landlords for tenants with learning disability/mental health difficulty.

 As Housing Benefit is dependent on individual circumstances it is not possible to give an average "rent".
- 5) If known, please state whether the above rents are core rent or inclusive of service charges (gross rent).

Housing Benefit is paid on core rent plus eligible service charges. The figures above are inclusive of eligible service charges.

For your reference, the definition of 'exempt accommodation' includes: accommodation provided by a county council, housing association, registered charity or organisation where care, support or supervision is provided to the tenant/claimant. In this case, the FOI is particularly interested in 'supported living' services and accommodation which provides a care element, regardless of whether the care is provided by an external provider or someone associated with the landlord.