

2025/26 Adult Social Care – rates and national thresholds

National Thresholds / Charges

Upper and lower capital limits

(a) upper capital limit: **£23,250**

(b) lower capital limit: **£14,250**

Personal Expense Allowance (PEA) – this is the weekly amount the Care Act stipulates individuals should be left with after their Residential or Nursing financial assessment: For 2025/26 it is set at **£30.65** per week.

Mandatory minimum income disregards (the MIG) for non-residential or nursing care and support are published in the Care and Support (Charging and Assessment of Resources) Regulations 2014. Rates for 2025/26 can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/social-care-charging-for-local-authorities-2025-to-2026>

Deputyship services

Charges are made in line with the national rates set in the Court of Protection – Practice Direction 19b. This is yet to be published for 2025/26.

Barnet charges 2025/26

Assistive Technology

For Assistive Technology the Council charges a flat weekly fee of **£5 a week** which is not means tested. This will be charged to all Barnet residents in receipt of Assistive Technology via the Council.

Full Cost Arrangement and Administration Fee

Those assessed as paying the full cost of any care services they receive who ask the Council to arrange their care and support on their behalf will be charged an annual arrangement and administration fee of **£1,851** in addition to the cost of the care itself.

Appointeeship Fee

Annual fee of **£375** for Appointeeship services for those with savings above £3,000.

Respite Care Services

Respite care services will be subject to a light-touch assessment rather than a full assessment or a non-residential care assessment. This means that there are set weekly rates for this care (**£250** to be implemented during 2025/26).

Maximum hourly homecare rate

If you receive homecare services arranged by the Council, the maximum hourly charge (which those assessed as 'Full Cost' will be charged) is **£19.84**.

Deferred Payment Agreements

Standard hourly administrative and processing charge	£24.37
Standard legal hourly charge	£83.19
Non- standard legal hourly charge e.g. debt recovery	£83.19
Land Registry Fees	£26.00
Property Valuation Fees	£250.00

Property Protection

Flat rate management charge for property protection	£350.00
Incurred costs associated with property protection, e.g. storage	Actual Costs

Public Health Funerals

Flat rate management charge for public health funerals	£350.00
Actual costs incurred, e.g. death certificate, burial, cremation.	Actual Costs