

Freedom of Information – Response – 27575

Please may I have a copy of the Policy/guidance/documents which Nicola Billingham SW Practitioner referred to as follows during a Teams Meeting on 10 June 2026, with regard to my son,XXXXX XXXXX Care & Support Plan.

Nicola Billingham 2:15

“deals with whether or not the public purse, because that's what we're dealing with is the public purse, how that money is actually spent. **So every single case that we have that is over 500 pounds a week, we have to go to panel and we have to explain what we want”**

Or a link where it is to be found on Suffolk CC website, thank you.

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The ASC Practice and Funding Escalation Centralised Forum Guidance is an internal document designed to support social work practitioners and managers in applying a robust, transparent and consistent approach to the oversight of practice decisions and funding authorisations, including requests that exceed agreed financial thresholds.

It covers all areas of Adult Social Care and as such to ensure that you are able to review the part relevant to your request we have extracted the relevant section from the Learning Disability and Autism (LD&A) Forum Criteria.

This criterion has been selected as the relevant information because the social worker named in the request works within the Learning Disability and Autism service area. Any information not relevant to the request, or exempt from disclosure, has been redacted accordingly.

LD&A: Forum Criteria

Financial Thresholds

- all new care and support packages of more than £500 per week.
- all increases to existing care packages where the total cost of the package is more than £500 per week; this does not include inflationary increases applied by SCCM;

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Also Refer If

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- [REDACTED]