

The lives we want to lead

The LGA green paper for
adult social care and wellbeing

HAVE YOUR SAY



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Your views matter. Our green paper is only a starting point and we want to build momentum for a debate across the country about how to fund the care we want to see in all our communities for adults of all ages and how our wider care and health system can be better geared towards supporting and improving people's wellbeing.

Throughout our green paper we have posed a series of consultation questions (set out below) and we would welcome your views on all those that are important to you. The consultation will run from 31 July to 26 September. Once the consultation closes we will analyse all responses and publish a response in the autumn.

To complete the consultation you can either visit **www.futureofadultsocialcare.co.uk** and complete the online survey under the section titled 'The Green Paper', alternatively you can submit your answers to the questions below to: **socialcareconversation@local.gov.uk**.

If you are responding as an individual there is also an option to answer the questions in the 'Summary Green Paper' section which are primarily focussed on gathering experience-based evidence and opinions. Again, this can be done online or via the **socialcareconversation@local.gov.uk** inbox.

1. What role, if any, do you think local government should have in helping to improve health and wellbeing in local areas?
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2. In what ways, if any, is adult social care and support important?

3. How important or not do you think it is that decisions about adult social care and support are made at a local level?

4. What evidence or examples can you provide, if any, that demonstrate improvement and innovation in adult social care and support in recent years in local areas?

5. What evidence or examples can you provide, if any, that demonstrate the funding challenges in adult social care and support in recent years in local areas?

6. What, if anything, has been the impact of funding challenges on local government's efforts to improve adult social care?

7. What, if anything, are you most concerned about if adult social care and support continues to be underfunded?

8. Do you agree or disagree that the Care Act 2014 remains fit for purpose?

9. What, if any, do you believe are the main barriers to fully implementing the Care Act 2014?

10. Beyond the issue of funding what, if any, are the other key issues which must be resolved to improve the adult social care and support system?

11. Of the above options for changing the system for the better, which if any, do you think are the most urgent to implement now?

12. Of the above options for changing the system for the better, which if any, do you think are the most important to implement now?

13. Thinking longer-term, and about the type of changes to the system that the above options would help deliver, which options do you think are most important for the future?

14. Aside from the options given for improving the adult social care and support system in local areas, do you have any other suggestions to add?

15. What is the role of individuals, families and communities in supporting people's wellbeing, in your opinion?

16. Which, if any, of the options given for raising additional funding would you favour to pay for the proposed changes to the adult social care and support system?

17. Aside from the options given for raising additional funding for the adult social care and support system in local areas, do you have any other suggestions to add?

18. What, if any, are your views on bringing wider welfare benefits (such as Attendance Allowance) together with other funding to help meet lower levels of need for adult social care and support?

19. What are your views on the suggested tests for judging the merits of any solution/s the Government puts forward in its green paper?

20. In your opinion, to achieve a long-term funding solution for adult social care and support, to what extent is cross-party co-operation and/or cross-party consensus needed?

21. What role, if any, do you think public health services should have in helping to improve health and wellbeing in local areas?

22. What evidence or examples, if any, can you provide that demonstrate the impact of other local services (both council services outside of adult social care and support, and those provided by other organisations) on improving health and wellbeing?

23. To what extent, if any, are you seeing a reduction in these other local services?

24. What principles, if any, do you believe should underpin the way the adult social care and support service and the NHS work together?

25. In your opinion, how important or unimportant is it that decisions made by local health services are understood by local people, and the decision-makers are answerable to them?

26. Do you think the role of health and wellbeing boards should be strengthened or not?

27. Which, if any, of the options for strengthening the role of health and wellbeing boards do you support?

28. Do you have any suggestions as to how the accountability of the health service locally could be strengthened?

29. Which, if any, of the options for spending new NHS funding on the adult social care and support system would you favour?

30. Do you have any other comments or stories from your own experience to add?



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