

Consultation Questions

Question 1(a): Is paragraph 9 clear and easy to understand? (please tick)

Yes	No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Question 1(b): Do you agree with the waiving of charging circumstances as set out in paragraph 9? (please tick)

Yes	No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Question 1(c): If you do not agree with the waiving of charging circumstances as set out in paragraph 9, please state your reasons below:

Comments

Question 2(a): Are you content with the examples of support to carers and young carers, as set out in paragraph 10, where charges will be waived? (please tick)

No

Question 2(b): If you are not content, please state your reasons below:

We suggest that many of these examples are already provided free of charge by voluntary sector and/or statutory sector providers. We would not expect any carer or cared for person to be charged for translation and interpretation services The cost of taxi fares and driving lessons seems an 'invest to save' arrangement and would result in a number of benefits for the carer, cared for person as well as statutory providers. There would also be indirect benefits in potentially reducing the social isolation of carers, which will lead to further benefits.
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Question 2(c): Are there further examples that you would like to add? (please tick)

Yes	No
	No

Question 2(d): If there are further examples that you would like to include in the list, please state these below and also set out your reasons for suggesting their inclusion.

Comments

Question 3(a): Do you agree with the exceptional circumstances set out in paragraphs 12 (with examples) and 13 about support to carers to help pay for driving lessons and taxi fares? (please tick)

Yes	No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question 3(b): If you do not agree, please state your reasons below:

We believe that there are a number of situations when it might be cost effective to support a carer through the provision of a taxi or driving lessons. Therefore this should not be seen as 'exceptional'. Examples could include carers living in remote and rural areas where there is limited public transport; those who struggle to combine paid employment with caring and this could make the difference of being to take work and not being able to take work.

Question 4(a): Do you agree with the waiving of charges as set out in paragraphs 14 and 15 with regard to short breaks? (please tick)

Yes	No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question 4(b): If you do not agree, please set out your reasons below:

Comments

Question 5(a): Do you agree with the position set out in paragraph 16 that when the carer and cared-for person take a break together, then as well as waiving the cost of the break for the carer, the additional costs of the break to enable the break to take place will also be met by the local authority? (please tick)

Yes	No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question 5(b): If you do not agree, please state your reasons below:

Comments

Question 6(a): Do you agree with the position set out in paragraphs 17 and 18 that local authorities will waive the cost of replacement care when they provide or commission replacement care in circumstances when others cannot provide replacement care free of charge? (please tick)

Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Question 6(b): If you do not agree with the position, please set out your reasons below:

We do not think the expectation that replacement care should normally be provided by friends, relatives or neighbours. These care giving substitutes are often relied upon in emergency situations and should not be further relied upon for planned breaks.

Question 7: Do you have any additional comments? If so, please use the space below to provide these further comments. Local authorities may wish to comment on any financial consequences arising from the Regulations. If so, please set out estimates of anticipated support to be provided to carers and cost estimates.

None

Question 8: Do you have any comments on the draft Regulations as set out in this Annex A? If so, please use the space below to set out these comments:

None

Thank you for completing this consultation. Please return your completed 'Respondent Information Form' and this 'Consultation Response Form' to alun.ellis@scotland.gsi.gov.uk by **Wednesday 10th July 2013**.