

Reading list

The future of adult social care funding

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BOOKS/REPORTS

Dilnot, Andrew, Chair

Great Britain. Department of Health. Commission on Funding of Care and Support
Fairer care funding : the report of the Commission on Funding of Care and Support.

London : DH, 2011

Web publication

The independent commission, set up by the government in July 2010, was asked to recommend a fair and sustainable funding system for adult social care in England. Among the recommendations in the report are: individuals' lifetime contributions towards their social care costs – which are currently potentially unlimited – should be capped. After the cap is reached, individuals would be eligible for full state support. This cap should be between £25,000 and £50,000. We consider that £35,000 is the most appropriate and fair figure; the means-tested threshold, above which people are liable for their full care costs, should be increased from £23,250 to £100,000; national eligibility criteria and portable assessments should be introduced to ensure greater consistency; and all those who enter adulthood with a care and support need should be eligible for free state support immediately rather than being subjected to a means test. The Commission estimates that its proposals – based on a cap of £35,000 – would cost the State around £1.7billion.

<https://www.wp.dh.gov.uk/carecommission/files/2011/07/Fairer-Care-Funding-Report.pdf>

Associated documentation:

<http://www.dilnotcommission.dh.gov.uk/2011/07/04/commission-report/>

Age UK

Care in crisis : causes and solutions.

London : Age UK, 2011

Web publication

This report presents the results of an investigation into the care system in England. It finds that 800,000 people who currently need care receive no formal support from either the state or private sector agencies. The report makes recommendations for the future of the social care system and the funding and provision of it.

<http://www.ageuk.org.uk/Documents/EN-GB/Campaigns/Care%20in%20Crisis%20-%20FINAL.pdf?dtrk=true>

Great Britain. Audit Commission

Improving value for money in adult social care.

London : Audit Commission, 2011

Web publication

'Improving value for money in adult social care' is the first in a series of briefings that will look at value for money in health and social care. This briefing finds that, as demographic change and financial pressures combine to create tough times for adult social care, councils have looked at many aspects of the service in order to provide better, more efficient services. Better procurement, improved back office arrangements, and a preference for community-based rather than residential care where possible, are just some of the changes that local authorities have implemented to help them meet the challenges they face. But the briefing also finds that the pace and scale of change needs to increase if councils want to release material savings, as well as improve care for people.

<http://www.audit-commission.gov.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Downloads/20110602vfmadultsocialcare.pdf>

BUPA

Funding adult social care over the next decade :who cares?

[London] : BUPA, 2011

Web publication

This report warns that if councils' adult social care budgets are not ring-fenced, the UK risks a shortfall of nearly 100,000 care home beds over the next decade. This reduction will lead to a 'bed-blocking' crisis for the NHS, and a postcode lottery for care as shortages emerge across the country.

http://www.epolitix.com/fileadmin/epolitix/stakeholders/BUPA_Who_Cares.pdf

Joseph Rowntree Foundation and Centre for Policy on Ageing

How can local authorities with less money support better outcomes for older people?

Solutions ; 2542 (January 2011)

York : JRF, 2011

Web publication

Research shows that older people want and value low-level support - 'that bit of help' - but the benefits of investing in this are realised over many years, making it harder to prove impact and protect funding in the face of severe pressure on spending. This Solutions provides examples of imaginative, affordable and effective ways of supporting older people's health, well-being, social engagement and independence. It highlights projects with some local authority involvement whether as lead commissioner, subsidiary partner, or through small grants or seed-funding.

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/sites/files/jrf/authorities-supporting-older-people-summary.pdf>

ISBN: 9781857176162

Humphries, Richard and Curry, Natasha

The King's Fund

Integrating health and social care : where next?

London : The King's Fund, 2011

HIBO (Kin)

The coalition government has made clear its commitment to the integration of health and social care in its proposals for reform. In the context of the intense financial and demographic challenges facing both health and social care, this paper offers a fresh assessment of the prospects for integrating health and social care and the opportunities and challenges arising from the government's proposals. In the autumn of 2010, The King's Fund held two seminars, bringing together senior policy experts and NHS and social care leaders to discuss the barriers and aids to integration at national and local levels and the financial challenges facing all services. This paper draws on the discussions that took place at both seminars.

http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/integrating_health.html

ISBN: 9781857176124

Humphries, Richard

The King's Fund

Social care funding and the NHS :an impending crisis?

London : The King's Fund, 2011

QBFA (Kin)

This paper provides evidence on the inter-dependency of health and social care, includes case studies of effective use of resources and recommends four areas for action to achieve better use of health and social resources: adopting a more unified national policy framework, for example, replacing existing separate processes with a single strategic assessment of the funding needs of the NHS and social care; developing a better understanding of local patterns of need, spending and outcomes, with metrics to support shared-investment decisions; closer alignment of resources through pooled and place-based budgets; and a wider role for local government in promoting health and well-being, thus reducing the need for NHS and social care services.

<http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/document.rm?id=9027>

Laing & Buisson

Illustrative cost models in learning disabilities social care provision.

London : Laing & Buisson, 2011

Web publication

This report, commissioned by the Department of Health, recognises the need to better understand the relative unit costs of different types of services for adults with learning disabilities and their accommodation/support components. With a view to informing debate about which approaches are most likely to be cost-effective, the report includes comprehensive illustrations and costings and comments on economies of scale.

http://www.laingbuisson.co.uk/Portals/1/Media%20Packs/Fact%20Sheets/Illustrative_Costs_PLD.pdf

Roe, David

Laing & Buisson

Cost & cost-effectiveness issues in learning disabilities social care provision.

London : Laing & Buisson, 2011

Web publication

This report has been written to expand on some of the cost and cost-effectiveness themes and issues relating to the provision of support for people with learning disabilities (concentrating on support for young adults), highlighted within a report commissioned from Laing & Buisson by the Department of Health: 'Illustrative cost models in learning disabilities social care provision'. It offers complementary views and suggestions on improving spending habits as well as tackling the broader cost issues facing the sector. As a springboard for further discussion, the report focuses on ways which to achieve further cost savings; how to address the current housing challenge in terms of financing and funding; improving outcomes and further development of costing and entitlement models.

http://www.laingbuisson.co.uk/Portals/1/Media%20Packs/Fact%20Sheets/Cost_Effectiveness_PLD.pdf

Carr-West, Jonathan and Thraves, Laura

Local Government Information Unit

Independent ageing : council support for care self-funders.

London : LGiU, 2011

Web publication

This report focuses on the cost to councils of self-funders falling back on state funding for residential care. It draws upon original research including a survey of chief executives, leaders, finance directors, adult services directors and cabinet portfolio holders in the 174 authorities in England and Wales that are responsible for care.

<https://member.lgiu.org.uk/whatwedo/Publications/Documents/Independent%20Ageing.pdf>

ISBN: 9781846365171

NHS Health and Social Care Information Centre

Personal social services expenditure and unit costs England, 2009-10.

Leeds : Information Centre, 2011

Web publication

http://www.ic.nhs.uk/webfiles/publications/009_Social_Care/pss0910expfinal/pss0910expfinal_update_070311/Personal_Social_Services_Expenditure_Report%202009_10.pdf

Associated documentation:

<http://www.ic.nhs.uk/statistics-and-data-collections/social-care/adult-social-care-information/personal-social-services-expenditure-and-unit-costs-england--2009-10-final-council-data>

Bardsley, Martin, et al.

The Nuffield Trust

Predicting social care costs : a feasibility study.

London : Nuffield Trust, 2011

Web publication

<http://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/sites/files/nuffield/Predicting-social-care-costs-Feb11-REPORT.pdf>

Associated documentation:

<http://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/publications/predicting-social-care-costs-feasibility-study>

ISBN: Reform

Paying for long term care.

London : Reform, 2011

Web publication

On 15 February 2011 Reform brought together around 100 delegates, from politics, public service, business and the third sector, to listen to and debate the presentations of nine speakers on funding long term care. This summit provided the chance to hear the views of these figures and, in turn, provided them with the opportunity to receive questions from a range of delegates. A booklet containing short think pieces was published with the summit. Presentations and questions and answers during the day were recorded. This report contains a copy of the agenda of the event, the booklet that accompanied it and the transcript of the discussions.

<http://www.reform.co.uk/Portals/0/documents/long%20term%20care.pdf>

Social Care Institute for Excellence, et al.

People who pay for care : quantitative and qualitative analysis of self-funders in the social care market.

[London] : SCIE, 2011

Web publication

The two reports contained in this document provide the latest position on self-funders. The first, Estimating the number and distribution of self-funders of care in England, is a quantitative analysis of the number of people who self-fund. The second, Journeys without maps, is a qualitative analysis of the current experience of a sample of self funders.

http://www.puttingpeoplefirst.org.uk/library/Resources/Personalisation/Localmilestones/People_who_pay_for_care_-_report_12_1_11_final.pdf

Hewitson, Ben, et al.

TNS-BMRB

Public engagement exploring care and support funding options : TNS-BMRB report of findings.

London : TNS-BMRB, 2011

Web publication

Report written for the The Commission on Funding of Care and Support otherwise known as the Dilnot Commission.

<https://www.wp.dh.gov.uk/carecommission/files/2011/05/TNS-BMRB-Report-of-findings.-final.pdf>

ISBN: 978004427914

Glasby, Jon, et al.

University of Birmingham. Health Services Management Centre

All in this together? : making the best use of health and social care resources in an era of austerity.

Policy paper ; 9 (January 2011)

Birmingham : HSMC, 2011

Web publication

This policy paper argues that something fundamental needs to change if health and social care are going to survive, adapt and ultimately prosper in the current financial context. What will not work is simply doing more of the same.

<http://www.hsmc.bham.ac.uk/publications/policy-papers/policy-paper-nine.pdf>

ISBN: 9781907635144

Weston, Mark, et al.

2020health.org

Taking care :the future funding of social care.

London : 2020health.org, 2011

Web publication

This review of studies provides an overview of the state of social care today and the many suggestions for reform. Predictions of demographic changes over the next 20 years show that the size of the over-70 population, those most likely to be in need of care, will rise from 6.2 million in 2010 to 9.6 million in 2030, an increase of over 50 per cent. People of working age fund a large proportion of care provision through taxes, and the ratio of those of working age to those aged 70 or over is projected to fall from 5.3:1 in 2010 to 3.7:1 in 2030. There is evidence that as people live longer lives they are also living healthier, and that the years lived with disability are declining, but it is highly likely nevertheless that the increased numbers of older people will lead to increased demand for social care, and hence funding.

<http://www.2020health.org/dms/2020health/downloads/reports/2020socialMAIN17-05-11B.pdf>

Great Britain. Department of Health

A vision for adult social care : capable communities and active citizens.

London : DH, 2010

QAD (Gre)

This document sets out the government's overarching principles for adult social care and gives context for future reform. It shows how the government wishes to see services delivered with a focus on personalised services and outcomes.

http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/@dh/@en/@ps/documents/digitalassets/dh_121667.pdf

Associated documentation:

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_121508

Humphries, Richard
Clode, Drew Editor
Association of Directors of Adult Social Services

All you need to know about adult social care : facts, figures and the challenges to come.

London : ADSS, 2010

Web publication

The booklet is designed, in a convenient and easily read format, to provide some of the richer context in which free personal care and other debates need be seen. We have outlined key facts about our services, some of our success stories from the past, the key challenges and issues facing us in the future as well as information about how we are funded

<http://www.adass.org.uk/images/stories/Publications/Miscellaneous/FactsFigures.pdf>

Wilmot, Andrew, chair
Commission on Funding of Care and Support

Call for evidence on the future funding of care and support.

London : CFCS, 2010

Web publication

The aim of this paper is to seek suggestions on the future funding of care and support in England. This document: sets out our remit (the full Terms of Reference are presented at annex B); explains the opportunities and challenges we see facing the future funding of care and support; outlines our assessment of the current system; sets out the direction of reform; explains how we plan to appraise the options; and sets out the questions we would like addressed as part of this Call for Evidence (these are summarised at annex A). [The consultation closed on 28 January 2011]

<http://www.dilnotcommission.dh.gov.uk/files/2010/12/1.1-Call-for-Evidence-FINAL-pdf.pdf>

Associated documentation: <http://www.dilnotcommission.dh.gov.uk/call-for-evidence/>

Commission on Funding of Care and Support: <http://www.dilnotcommission.dh.gov.uk/>

Care Quality Commission

The state of health care and adult social care in England : key themes and quality of services in 2009.

HC ; 343

London : Stationery Office, 2010

Web publication

This is the Care Quality Commission's first annual report to parliament on the state of health and adult social care. It states that people need health and social care services that are more joined-up and person-centred. Services have steadily improved overall but rising demand and pressure on finances make reform essential. The CQC applauds overall improvements over recent years, but cautions that some services were lagging behind the pack and that there were areas of common concern across health and social care, notably keeping people safe and staff training. This is the first time that an independent regulator has looked simultaneously across both the health and social care sectors.

http://www.cqc.org.uk/db/documents/CQC_Complete_2009_18.pdf

Associated documentation <http://www.cqc.org.uk/stateofcare.cfm>

Counsel and Care

Smarter spending for better care : ten ideas to make better use of social care funding for older people and carers.

London : Counsel and Care, 2010

Web publication

This paper argues that better value for money could be achieved from current care spending by re-focusing resources. It puts forward ten ideas on how to create a 'smarter', more innovative and, ultimately, more effective social care system for older people, their families and carers.

<http://www.counselandcare.org.uk/pdf/smarter-spending>

ISBN: 9780956366511

Humphries, Richard

Dartington. Research in Practice for Adults

Dartington review on the future of adult social care.

Dartington review on the future of adult social care

Totnes : Dartington, 2010

Web publication

The aim of this review is to offer an authoritative and evidence-based assessment of the development of adult social care between now and 2020. The origins of the review lie with the Partnership Board of research in practice for adults who set the challenge of producing an independent review on the future of adult social care. A timescale to 2020 was selected so that while there is an element of 'futures thinking', the review is firmly rooted in the achievement of practice over the next decade. Following an initial overview, it was decided to commission three supplementary evidence reviews on key issues: international experiences; the social care workforce; and climate change and sustainability.

http://www.ripfa.org.uk/publications/dartington-review/doc_download/161-dartington-review-on-the-future-of-adult-social-care-overview-report

Associated documentation: <http://www.ripfa.org.uk/publications/dartington-review>

ISBN: 9780956366511

Glendinning, Caroline

Dartington. Research in Practice for Adults

What can England learn from the experiences of other countries?

Dartington review on the future of adult social care

Totnes : Dartington, 2010

Web publication

This paper discusses the future funding, organisation and delivery of adult social care by drawing on the experiences of other advanced welfare states, both in Europe and further afield.

<http://www.ripfa.org.uk/images/downloads/ER1.pdf>

Associated documentation: <http://www.ripfa.org.uk/publications/dartington-review>

ISBN: 9780956366511

Rae, Jon

Dartington. Research in Practice for Adults

Personalisation, sustainability and adult social care : strengthening resilient communities.

Dartington review on the future of adult social care

Totnes : Dartington, 2010

Web publication

http://www.ripfa.org.uk/publications/dartington-review/doc_download/164-dartington-review-on-the-future-of-adult-social-care-overview-report-evidence-review-03

Associated documentation: <http://www.ripfa.org.uk/publications/dartington-review>

ISBN: 9780101788427

Great Britain. Department of Health

Government response to the Health Select Committee report on social care (third report of session 2009-10).

Cm ; 7884

London : Stationery Office, 2010

Web publication

<http://www.official-documents.gov.uk/document/cm78/7884/7884.pdf>

ISBN: 9780215544667

Great Britain. Parliament. House of Commons. Health Committee

Barron, Kevin, Chair

Social care : third report of session 2009-10.

Volume I : report together with formal minutes.

House of Commons papers. Session 2009-10 ; HC 22-I

London : Stationery Office, 2010

Web publication

This report says the current social care system is chronically underfunded, severely rationed, locally variable, too often of poor quality and discriminates against older people.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200910/cmselect/cmhealth/22/22.pdf>

ISBN: 9780215544681

Great Britain. Parliament. House of Commons. Health Committee
Barron, Kevin, Chair

Social care : third report of session 2009-10.

Volume II : oral and written evidence.

House of Commons papers. Session 2009-10 ; HC 22-II [Incorporating
HC 1021-i to iii, Session 2008-09]

London : Stationery Office, 2010

Web publication

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200910/cmselect/cmhealth/22/22ii.pdf>

ISBN: 9781846363863

Health and Social Care Information Centre

Personal social services expenditure and unit costs England, 2008-09.

Leeds : Information Centre, 2010

Web publication

http://www.ic.nhs.uk/webfiles/publications/PSS%20staff%202008-09/Final%20-%20Personal%20Social%20Service%20Expenditure%20and%20Unit%20Cost%2C%20England%20-%202008-09_v2_29-04-10.pdf

Associated documentation:

<http://www.ic.nhs.uk/statistics-and-data-collections/social-care/adult-social-care-information/personal-social-services-expenditure-and-unit-costs-england-final-2008-09>

Institute for Public Policy Research and PricewaterhouseCoopers

When I'm 94 : how to fund care for an ageing population.

London : IPPR, 2010

Web publication

This briefing is based on deliberative workshops that engaged people in debate about social care. It highlights that few are yet willing to face up to the challenges around costs of care. Three principles emerged from the workshops as essential components of any future system of social care - fairness, sustainability and simplicity.

http://www.ippr.org/members/download.asp?f=/ecomm/files/When_Im_94.pdf&a=skip

International Longevity Centre - UK

ILC-UK and actuarial profession joint 'green paper' debate : the future of funding long-term care for older people : November 2009.

London : ILC-UK, 2010

Web publication

This debate was organised jointly by the ILC-UK and actuarial profession, and took place in London on 10 November 2009. Almost 200 people attended including representatives of the financial services industry, the voluntary sector and Government

http://www.ilcuk.org.uk/files/pdf_pdf_110.pdf

Smith, Chloe and Cavill, Matt

Ipsos MORI and Joseph Rowntree Foundation

Shaping public spending priorities for adult social care.

York : JRF, 2010

Web publication

This study investigates some of the key issues currently confronting those involved in planning and providing adult social care at a time of budgetary pressure. This is a summary document of the main report to be published in November 2010.

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/sites/files/jrf/public-spending-social-care-summary.pdf>

ISBN: 9781859357804

Stone, Emma and Wood, Claudia

Joseph Rowntree Foundation

A funding settlement that works for people, not services.

York : JRF, 2010

Web publication

This paper looks at the principles of funding social care. It was written in advance of the Comprehensive Spending Review and the coalition government's new vision for social care.

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/sites/files/jrf/funding-care-services-full.pdf>

Hirsch, Donald and Spiers, Philip
Joseph Rowntree Foundation
Viewpoint ; 2501 (March 2010)

Funding care : how can each generation pay its fair share?

York : JRF, 2010

Web publication

A new system of social care needs to share the cost equitably. This Viewpoint argues this could be done through a two-track levy where each generation pays its own costs. An initial charge on inheritance would be gradually replaced by funds built up through extra National Insurance payments levied on younger age cohorts.

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/sites/files/jrf/fairness-in-funding-care-summary.pdf>

Beresford, Peter
Joseph Rowntree Foundation

Funding social care : what service users say.

Viewpoint ; 2486 (March 2010)

York : JRF, 2010

Web publication

This summary reports the views of a diverse range of adult social care service users, brought together to explore current proposals for funding social care.

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/sites/files/jrf/care-service-users-views-summary.pdf>

ISBN: 9781859357262

Bell, David

Joseph Rowntree Foundation

The impact of devolution : long-term care provision in the UK.

The impact of devolution.

York : JRF, 2010

Web publication

A review of the evolution of long-term care policy during the first decade of devolved government in the UK.

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/sites/files/jrf/impact-of-devolution-long-term-care.pdf>

Other publications in this series: <http://www.jrf.org.uk/publications/impact-of-devolution>

ISBN: 9781857175936

Humphries, Richard

Forder, Julien

Securing good care for more people :options for reform.

London : The King's Fund, 2010

QBFA (Kin)

Securing good care for more people: options for reform proposes new, fairer funding arrangements for adult social care, a review of the current settlement for older people and a long-term staged approach to reform based on political consensus. While demonstrating that the cost of the social care system is set to double over the next 15 years with no improvement in outcomes, this report proposes a revised version of the 'partnership model' as the fairest way of funding social care in the future, updating the recommendations of the review of social care by Sir Derek Wanless published in 2006. This would see the state guaranteeing to pay 50 per cent of everyone's care costs and 'matched funding' for individual contributions to encourage people to save for old age.

<http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/document.rm?id=8610>

ISBN: 9781854401502

Laing & Buisson

Care of elderly people : UK market survey 2010-11. 23rd edition.

London : Laing & Buisson, 2010

QBFD (Lai)

Chamberlain, Ruth, et al.

Acton Shapiro and Local Government Association

The impact of the economic slowdown on adult social care.

London : LGA, 2010

Web publication

The aim of the research was to examine the impact of the economic slowdown on social care from a small number of local authorities and provider organisations. The project explored all effects of the economic downturn on social care, both positive and negative, including providers of adult social care and support, councils directly and indirectly and also individuals.

<http://new.lga.gov.uk/lga/aio/11136316>

ISBN: 9789461380166

Comas-Herrera, Adelina, et al.

London School of Economics and Political Science. Personal Social Services Research Unit

The English long-term care system.

ENEPRI Research Report ; 74

Brussels : ENEPRI, 2010

Web publication

ENEPRI Research Reports present the findings and conclusions of research undertaken in the context of research projects carried out by a consortium of ENEPRI (European Network of Economic Policy Research Institutes) member institutes. This report was produced by the ANCIEN project (Assessing Needs of Care in European Nations), which focuses on the future of long-term care for the elderly in Europe.

<http://www.ceps.eu/ceps/download/3578>

ANCIEN (Assessing Needs of Care in European Nations) website, with links to associated documents <http://www.ancien-longtermcare.eu/home>

ISBN: 9781906097813

Featherstone, Henry and Whitham, Lily

Policy Exchange

Careless :funding long-term care for the elderly.

London : Policy Exchange, 2010

Web publication

Most people think that paying their taxes and National Insurance will guarantee them free care in old age, but that is not the case. If free personal care were funded out of general taxation, it could cost the government up to £106 billion each year – the equivalent to funding a second NHS. This report recommends considering alternative funding models for long-term care.

http://www.policyexchange.org.uk/assets/Careless_-_Jul_10.pdf

Resolution Foundation

Funding future care need : the role of councils in supporting individuals to access the capital in their homes.

London : Resolution Foundation, 2010

Web publication

This report argues that there is a 30 year window of opportunity when older generations will have significant amounts of housing equity that could be used to meet their care costs. Like many other organisations, the Resolution Foundation has argued that a lasting funding settlement is crucial in the long-term. However, more needs to be done now to help those who are going without care. Although it is not clear that younger generations will be in a similar situation in the future, the Foundation believes that accessing this equity is part of an interim solution to help those who are struggling to pay for their care now.

http://www.resolutionfoundation.org/media/media/downloads/FundingFutureCareNeed_-_report.pdf

Associated publications:

<http://www.resolutionfoundation.org/publications/funding-future-care-need-role-councils-supporting-/>

Evans, Simon, et al.

Social Care Institute for Excellence

Sustainable systems of social care.

Adults' Services SCIE Report ; 35 (October 2010)

London : SCIE, 2010

Web publication

This research was commissioned by the Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) and carried out by a team from the Institute for Sustainability, Health and Environment at the University of the West of England, Bristol, between November 2009 and June 2010. It complements other work undertaken as part of SCIE's Sustainable Social Care Programme, including the Learning Network run by the Local Government Information Unit (LGIU). The research carried out as part of this project falls into three main strands: a scoping and mapping exercise focusing on key strategies, policies, frameworks and initiatives that relate to the sustainability agenda and how these relate to adult social care; case study work to explore the criteria for, facilitators of and challenges to sustainable models of social care; and the development of key themes and recommendations for commissioners and other audiences across the sector.

<http://www.scie.org.uk/publications/reports/report35.pdf>

Social Care Institute for Excellence

The Big Society and innovation in care and support for adults : key messages from SCIE expert seminars.

London : SCIE, 2010

Web publication

This paper discusses solutions to the current challenge to develop innovative, personalised support in adult social care with fewer resources.

<http://www.scie.org.uk/publications/atagance/atagance33.pdf>

Humphries, Richard Chair

Social Market Foundation

The commission on long-term care funding options : a roundtable summary.

London : Social Market Foundation, 2010

Web publication

Following the 2010 general election, the new Coalition Government announced in its Programme for Government document that it would: "establish a commission on long-term care, to report within a year. The commission will consider a range of ideas, including both a voluntary insurance scheme to protect the assets of those who go into residential care, and a partnership scheme as proposed by Derek Wanless." In response to this announcement, the Social Market Foundation convened an expert roundtable on Monday July 12th, 2010 in order to: draw lessons from the experience of previous commissions on long-term care funding; and draw lessons from previous commissions on other policy challenges, notably pension saving, which shares many characteristics with the challenge of reforming social care funding.

<http://www.smf.co.uk/assets/files/SMFRoundtableSummary.pdf>

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Long term care of the elderly : shaping the future.

London : Social Market Foundation, 2010

Web publication

A group of social care experts, drawn from all three major political parties, have united to call for cross-party agreement as the way to achieve social care reform. The five experts have supported their call with this statement of shared principles on which agreement could be based and have called on all political parties to work together on this vital issue with stakeholders in the social care sector. The paper is co-authored by Rt Hon Lord Warner, Labour peer and former Health Minister; Rt Hon Stephen Dorrell, Conservative MP and former Secretary of State for Health; Baroness Neuberger, Liberal Democrat peer and former head of the King's Fund; Lord Lipsey, Labour peer and author of the minority report from the Royal Commission on Long Term Care for the Elderly; as well as Sir Derek Wanless, author of several reports on future NHS spending for HM Treasury.

<http://www.smf.co.uk/assets/files/Shaping%20the%20Future%20FINAL%20VERSION%20FOR%20RELEASE.pdf>

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University of Kent. Personal Social Services Research Unit

The impact of a tightening fiscal situation on social care for older people.

PSSRU Discussion Paper ; 2723 (May 2010)

Canterbury : PSSRU, 2010

Web publication

The main purpose of this paper is to assess the effects of a reduction in funding for care. In the current difficult fiscal climate, a cut in funding for social care seems likely. But what are the consequences for the numbers of people, according to the severity of their need, who would lose council funding support if budgets were cut? We consider the impact of a reduction in the budget available to fund social care for older people.

<http://www.pssru.ac.uk/pdf/dp2723.pdf>

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Commission on 2020 Public Services

Beyond Beveridge : principles for 2020 public services.

London : 2020 Public Services Trust, [2010]

Web publication

'Beyond Beveridge' is the interim report of the Commission on 2020 Public Services. It sets out the urgency for change, the limits of our current public services settlement, and the need for a systematic and long-term approach to reform. The report offers a positive vision for 2020 public services, and three policy building blocks to get us there: a shift in culture, a shift in power, and a shift in finance. The report represents the interim findings of our diverse and experienced commission, and the principles on which it will base its final conclusions in summer 2010.

http://clients.squareeye.com/uploads/2020/documents/2020_interim_report_aw_single_page.pdf

ISBN: 9780956291585

Glennerster, Howard

2020 Public Services Trust

Financing the United Kingdom's welfare states.

London : 2020 Public Services Trust, 2010

Web publication

Professor Glennerster asserts that to continue to fund the current range of services, reduce child poverty and help the poorest elderly people pay for the costs of climate change will require an additional 4-6 per cent of our GDP over the next twenty years. Adding these estimates to HM Treasury forecasts increases the share of national income spent by government to over 45 per cent by 2020. Yet public tax receipts have rarely been above 40 per cent. In the face of this, Professor Glennerster advocates thinking strategically about which groups can afford to pay more into the welfare state, using partnership models to share costs between the state and citizens, and thinking creatively about how to get services to do more with fewer resources.

<http://clients.squareeye.com/uploads/2020/documents/Glennerster.pdf>

The Commission on 2020 Public Services

From social security to social productivity : a vision for 2020 public services.

London : 2020 Public Services Trust, 2010

Web publication

This report calls for a complete reconfiguring of public services around the needs and capabilities of citizens, based on the principle of social productivity. It claims that our public services are increasingly unsustainable. The Commission calls for a new deal between citizens and the state, based on social productivity - greater social responsibility and more intelligent collaboration between citizens and public services.

http://clients.squareeye.com/uploads/2020/documents/PST_final_rep.pdf

ISBN: 9781845622565

Care Quality Commission

The quality and capacity of adult social care services : an overview of the adult social care market in England 2008/09.

London : CQC, 2009

Web publication

This report describes both the quality and capacity of the adult social care market in England. It is based on information that the Care Quality Commission (CQC) holds about the services that it regulates. These services are used by people who pay for their own care as well as by those whose care is funded by their local authority.

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CELLO mruk Research Ltd.

Cost and provision : adult social care survey.

This document was commissioned by London Councils.

London : CELLO mruk, 2009

Web publication

<http://www.londoncouncils.gov.uk/London%20Councils/mrukfinalreport20May09.pdf>

National Care Forum and Counsel and Care
The real cost of quality care and support.

London : Counsel and Care, 2009

Web publication

A survey of National Care Forum (NCF) member organisations, in partnership with Counsel and Care, sought to explore the issues of quality and cost in the provision of care and support services.

<http://www.counselandcare.org.uk/category/policy/pdf/the-real-cost-of-quality>

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Counsel and Care and Ceretas

The future of homecare : responding to older people's needs.

London : Counsel and Care, 2009

Web publication

This policy paper argues that policy and practice are still out of alignment - the rhetoric about keeping older people at home for as long as possible does not match with tightening eligibility criteria and rising charges that mean that more and more older people are unable to access the care that they need. Counsel & Care and Ceretas have called for homecare to be transformed in line with government policy that suggests that more older people should receive care at home. Fair charging and more time for care workers to carry out their duties are amongst the recommendations for a new vision for homecare.

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Demos

At your service : navigating the future market in health and social care.

London : Demos, 2009

Web publication

This report looks at how personal budgets will impact the health and social care market, what prospective budget holders know and think about personal budgets, how they would spend it and what difficulties they envisage. It sets out the likely challenges facing local authorities and service providers in delivering the personalisation agenda and contains recommendations about how to make the transition successfully.

http://www.demos.co.uk/files/At_your_service_-_web.pdf?1256725103

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Great Britain. Government Equalities Office

Voice of Older People : annual report 2008/09.

London : Government Equalities Office, 2009

Web publication

This is an informal report, setting out the most important issues that have reached the author in her year as the government's Voice of Older People. It also outlines her response to them, and indicates the many ways the government is moving to improve the situation.

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Vienna : European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research, 2009

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From safety net to springboard : a new approach to care and support for all based on equality and human rights.

London : EHRC, 2009

Web publication

This report concerns the future of care and support and the role it can play in promoting human rights, equality and good relations. It has been published in order to influence thinking on the future of care and support in England and it sets out the actions the Commission itself will take to help make its vision for care and support a reality.

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Fair ageing : the challenge of our lifetime.

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This report brings together key messages and themes to emerge from a series of events organised by the Fabian Society for Housing 21 in partnership with Counsel and Care - the Fairness in an Ageing Society programme.

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This programme seeks to generate public debate about the future of social care; and consider how the social contract between the state, organisations, communities, families and individuals may need to fundamentally change to ensure that the future of social care is based on principles of fairness and sustainability.

<http://www.ippr.org/publicationsandreports/publication.asp?id=669>

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Funding adult social care in England.

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QAD (Kin)

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<http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/document.rm?id=8243>

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Local Government Association

Facing facts and tomorrow's reality today : the cost of care.

Fit for the future : a new vision for adult social care and support

London : LGA, 2009

Web publication

This publication is the second in a series of Local Government Association (LGA) papers on the future of social care and looks in detail at one of the central issues facing the future of adult social care and support: funding. It takes a broad perspective on the topic to examine three issues: the current system of funding and the current costs of care and support; the future cost of care and support; and how to make the most of the available money.

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London School of Economics. Personal Social Services Research Unit

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London : PSSRU, 2009

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Viewpoint ; 2441 (October 2009)

York : JRF, 2009

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<http://www.jrf.org.uk/sites/files/jrf/fairer-funding-adult-social-care.pdf>

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York : JRF, 2009

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University of Kent at Canterbury. Personal Social Services Research Unit
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University of Oxford. Centre on Migration, Policy and Society (COMPAS)
Migrant care workers in ageing societies : research findings in the United Kingdom : report.
Oxford : COMPAS, 2009

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This study focused on the current and future role of migrant (foreign born) workers in the care of older people. It investigated the current and potential future demand for migrant carers in an ageing society; the experiences of migrant care workers, their employers and of older people in residential and home care settings; and the implications of these findings for the social care of older people and for migration policy. Focusing on the UK, it was one of four country studies conducted between Spring 2007 and Spring 2009 in the UK, Ireland, the USA and Canada. The UK study was funded by the Nuffield Foundation and The Atlantic Philanthropies.

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Working paper ; DHP 2318
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Report on adults social services expenditure : 2008-2009.
London : LGA, 2009

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This paper is an analysis of UK welfare and public services from before 1945 to the present day. It explores the evolution of the system and when, why and how change took place. This report seeks to answer how we have got here and identify the prospects for radical reform - aiding the national conversation on the future of public services.

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Securing good care for older people.

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How to get leaner, but not meaner.

Health Service Journal 2011; 121 (6253): 20-22 (21 April 2011)

Gateshead has taken a joint approach to improving services while reducing costs. Sue Mundy and Eirian Lewis explain. [Introduction]

Munday, Brian

Is no-frills adult care ready for take-off?

Community Care 2011; (1856): 24 (10 March 2011)

Airlines and supermarkets show that cheap services can be provided without compromising too much on quality. Social care could take note, writes Brian Munday [Introduction]

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/Article.aspx?liArticleID=116395>

Vernon Jackson, Gerald

Sharing best practice is the way ahead.

Local Government Chronicle 2011; (7428): 23 (6 January 2011)

The Leader of Portsmouth City Council briefly outlines his council's approach to the adult social care productivity workstream, given current financial pressures. He highlights the benefit of working with others to develop and share good practices. [KJ]

Kelly, Gavin and Pearce, Nick

Thinking the thinkable.

Public Finance 2011; (1): 36-39 (January 2011)

Welfare reform is crucial to the coalition's agenda. But ministers' plans are driven by cuts rather than consistent principles, while Labour seems out of touch. Two policy thinkers with insider experience map out a better approach. [Introduction]

<http://www.publicfinance.co.uk/features/2010/11/welfare-thinking-the-thinkable/>

Bubb, Stephen

Don't cut funding to the voluntary sector.

Municipal Journal 2010; 16-17 (16 December 2010)

Many councils are reducing or slashing grants to voluntary organisations because they are easy targets for cost-cutting. Stephen Bubb [Chief Executive of the Association of Chief Executives of Voluntary Organisations (ACEVO)] warns this is a short-sighted strategy as not only is the voluntary sector delivering long-term savings but will increasingly be picking up services local government can no longer deliver. [Introduction]

<http://www.localgov.co.uk/index.cfm?method=news.detail&id=94045&layout=2>

Darton, Robin, et al.

Slicing up the pie : allocation of central government funding of care of older people.

Social Policy and Administration 2010; 44 (5): 529–553 (December 2010)

The allocation of central government funds is a critical element in the equitable provision of local authority-commissioned and -provided services. A variety of approaches to allocating funding for social services for older people have been used over the years, most recently founded on 'needs-based' formulae. In 2004, the Department of Health for England commissioned research to help inform the improvement and updating of the formula. The results of individual-level analyses were compared with the results obtained from analyses of small area (ward-level) data on service users. Both analyses were affected by problems of data availability, particularly the individual-level analysis, and the Department of Health and the (then) Office of the Deputy Prime Minister decided that the formula calculations should be based on the results of the small area analysis. However, despite the differences in approach, both methods produced very similar results. The correlation between the predicted relative needs weights for local authorities from the two models was 0.982. The article discusses the strengths and weaknesses of each approach and developments that could allow a normative approach that would incorporate future policy objectives into formulae that, to date, have inevitably been based on historical data and service patterns. [Abstract]

Godden, Sylvia and Pollock, Allyson M.

The future of social care in the UK.

Research, Policy and Planning 2010; 28 (1): 3-16

Labour's white paper 'Building the National Care Service' published shortly before the 2010 general election announced plans for major reform of the funding and future of social care in England. In so doing it reopened longstanding debates about the principles on which care should be based. The new government coalition of Conservatives and Liberal Democrats raises questions as to the future direction of social care. This paper charts developments since the inception of the welfare state to the present time. It shows how, regardless of political party, each successive administration has played its role in the move away from care delivered on a universal collective responsibility to increasing individual responsibility where the risks and costs of care are held at the individual level. The current promotion of personal budgets and direct payments is described along with the risks for providers and users. Finally, the future of social care is considered in light of the plans of the Conservative/Liberal Democrat coalition. The article concludes that social care will continue to be a personal and not a collective responsibility, paid for by private contributions and where private insurers play a role. All governments relegate social care to a low priority status and this is likely to continue. [Abstract]

Samuel, Mithran

Private route for funding care.

Community Care 2010; (1844): 26 (18 November 2010)

Private insurance is likely to figure in any reform of long-term care funding. Chris Horlick's firm is waiting, he tells Mithran Samuel. [Introduction]

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/Article.aspx?liArticleID=115812>

Dunning, Jeremy

Fuse is lit on Scotland's free care policy.

Community Care 2010; (1837): 22-23 (30 September 2010)

A timebomb of rising demand and funding cuts is putting Scotland's flagship care policy as risk, yet it still has many defenders, reports Jeremy Dunning. [Introduction]

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/Article.aspx?liArticleID=115414>

Dickinson, Sophie

Improving wellbeing and the bottom line.

Municipal Journal 2010; 21 (23 September 2010)

Last week's 2020 Commission report ['From social security to social productivity : a vision for 2020 public services', Public Services Trust, September 2010] warned of a huge rising bill for adult care. Sophie Dickinson [Programme Lead for Excellent Ageing at Lincolnshire CC] reports on how Lincolnshire County Council and its partners are tackling the county's own care challenges while cutting costs in an initiative that has attracted the attention of the government. [Introduction]

Excellent Ageing, Lincolnshire web pages:

<http://www.lincolnshireassembly.com/section.asp?catId=29329>

Dunning, Jeremy

'All funding options remain on the table'.

Community Care 2010; (1832): 24 (26 August 2010)

The chair of the commission on the funding of long-term care, Andrew Dilnot, tells Jeremy Dunning that the government has not pressurised him to deliver the most politically convenient outcome. [Introduction]

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/Article.aspx?liArticleID=115116>

Care, Tim

One step beyond healthcare.

Health Service Journal 2010; 120 (6218): 22 (5 August 2010)

Social enterprises are being heralded as champions of the 'big society', but there are serious questions to ask before setting one up in health and social care. [Introduction]

Barr, Nicholas

Long-term care : a suitable case for social insurance.

Social Policy and Administration 2010; 44 (4): 359-374 (August 2010)

There are potentially large welfare gains if people can buy insurance that covers the costs of long-term care. However, technical problems – largely information problems – face both the providers of insurance and potential buyers. These problems on both the supply and demand sides of the market suggest that the actuarial mechanism is not well suited to addressing risks associated with long-term care. This line of argument underpins the article's main conclusion – that social insurance is a better fit. [Abstract]

Dunning, Jeremy

Councils weigh up future of in-house adult care services.

Community Care 2010; (1829): 24-25 (29 July 2010)

Cost-cutting and personalisation are forcing councils to rethink service provision which could see social care staff working in or with new types of bodies. Jeremy Dunning looks at the options. [Introduction]

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/Article.aspx?liArticleID=114968>

Comas-Herrera, Adelina, et al.

The long road to universalism : recent developments in the financing of long-term care in England.

Social Policy and Administration 2010; 44 (4): 375-391 (July 2010)

Following more than a decade of intense debate, the long-term care system in England may be on the verge of major change. We argue that the current system can be characterized as a residual system where care is free only to those who cannot afford to pay for themselves, with access heavily targeted to those with the highest levels of needs and with no informal care, and with substantial local variation in access and means-testing for home care. It is also characterized by a mixed economy of supply of care and a mixed economy of finance. The government Green Paper has proposed a major shift from diverse local systems to a new National Care Service, with a national entitlement to some public support for all those who are assessed as needing it. The government has also recently announced that it will make personal care at home free to those with the highest needs. If implemented, the proposals included in the Green Paper would, at minimum, introduce a 'quasi-universal' system, in which some level of assistance is provided to all those with eligible social care needs. [Abstract]

Ettridge, Geoff, et al.

Strategies for saving money.

Community Care 2010; (1821): 14-17 (2 Jun 2010)

A 12-page special on how social care responds to the public spending cuts begins with Community Care reporters looking at how councils can save money. Geoff Ettridge, meanwhile, examines the potential for savings. [Introduction]

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/static-pages/articles/social-care-spending-cuts/>

MacBeath, Iain

How to balance the budget.

Municipal Journal 2010; 22 (13 May 2010)

More than £100 million of Hertfordshire CC's adult care services budget is tied up in care home fees. Iain MacBeath describes how the county ensures value for money, while maintaining the quality of service. [Introduction]

Spencer-Lane, Tim

Five key reforms to re-shape adult care law.

Community Care 2010; (1807): 8-9 (25 February 2010)

The Law Commission has launched a major consultation on adult social care law in England. Commission lawyer Tim Spencer-Lane outlines its key proposals. [Introduction]

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/Article.aspx?liArticleID=113878>

'Adult social care', Law Commission web page: http://www.lawcom.gov.uk/adult_social_care.htm

Samuel, Mithran and Dunning, Jeremy

The personalisation equation.

Community Care 2010; (1806): 28-29 (18 February 2010)

To what extent can self-directed support meet the need for councils to save money while improving services, ask Mithran Samuel and Jeremy Dunning. [Introduction]

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/Article.aspx?liArticleID=113785>

Slasberg, Colin

Re-ablement, efficiency and outcomes working.

Journal of Care Services Management 2010; 4 (2): 141-149 (January 2010)

There is broad agreement that, in the face of the looming financial environment, achieving the highest levels of efficiency — defined as getting the highest impact for the lowest spend — is of prime importance and the least that councils must do to prepare. There is also broad consensus that re-ablement is central to efficiency in adult social care. Re-ablement is win-win — service users have the greatest level of independence and demand on public services is minimised. Current strategies emphasise the role of re-ablement services. This paper sets out reasoning and evidence that the effectiveness of re-ablement services is over-stated, and that reliance on them will not work. It sets out the case that what is really required is to create a re-ablement culture where all services are committed to re-ablement. The paper goes on to set out how outcomes-based working could hold the key to achieving it. [Abstract]

Kenny, Craig

Trading places.

Community Care 2009; (1789): 24-25 (1 October 2009)

Councils faced with cutting or changing services in the age of personalisation may be interested in following Essex's third way [a local authority trading company called 'Essex Cares'] - but trade unions are unconvinced. [Introduction]

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/Article.aspx?liArticleID=112689>

Beresford, Peter

Personalisation, brokerage and service users : time to take stock.

Journal of Care Services Management 2009; 4 (1): 24-31 (October-December 2009)

Taking as its starting point government moves to mainstream 'personalisation' in social care and associated interest in service brokerage and brokers, this paper examines two key issues from a service-user perspective. These are how service users are to be enabled to access more person-centred support, based on the values of 'independent living' and how this is to be possible for the diverse range of long-term health and social care service users. It draws on the experience of a national, service-user organisation and network, the work of the National Development Team and recent developments and findings in personalisation and 'self-directed support'. It highlights the importance of effective user involvement to take such developments forward effectively and inclusively and the key role that user-controlled organisations will need to play in making this possible. 21 refs. [Abstract]

Hunter, Mark

History in the re-making.

Community Care 2009; (1788): 16-17 (24 September 2009)

Social enterprises have their origins in the 19th century co-operative movement, but their ethos fits perfectly with that of modern-day social care, writes Mark Hunter. [Introduction]

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/Article.aspx?liArticleID=112624>

Cozens, Andrew

Sustainable solutions to social care.

Local Government Chronicle 2009; 21 (10 September 2009)

Care users need a flexible funding system that can respond to individual needs, says the Local Government Association's Andrew Cozens. [Introduction]

O'Connor, Irene

Ensuring high quality health and social care for our older population : residential care in Ireland as a case example.

Quality in Ageing 2009; 10 (3): 34-43 (September 2009)

Southern Ireland faces similar challenges to the rest of Europe in that it has a rapidly increasing older population, seemingly infinite demand for health and social care and growing financial pressures. Against such a background, there are concerns about the quality of care provided for frail older people, especially in long-term care settings. This paper considers some recent policy development in Ireland, with a particular focus on long-term care. It describes the response to a series of inquiries about the quality of care in such environments and the subsequent formation of the Health Information and Quality Authority (HIQA). HIQA has just introduced a series of new inspections standards, and these are presented in the article. However, whilst these standards are to be welcomed, it is argued that standards alone will not result in improved quality unless there is also recognition of the role and value of long-term care as a positive care environment for older people. 1 table 23 refs. [Abstract]

NHS Confederation.

Shaping the future of social care together.

NHS Confederation Briefing 2009; (188): (August 2009)

The long-awaited green paper, Shaping the future of care together, looks at the future of care and support in England. It proposes a National Care Service to ensure common standards and puts forward options for care funding. Although the NHS is only occasionally mentioned in the document, the proposed changes will have a major impact on NHS services and partnership working between health and local government. The green paper considers the politically sensitive and complicated issue of how to provide a system of care and support that meets the needs of an ageing population and is fair and affordable. By 2026, the government expects there will be 1.7 million more adults who need care and support - and people will expect more choice and control over their services. This Briefing summarises the key features of the green paper. [Introduction]

http://www.nhsconfed.org/Publications/Documents/Shaping_the_future_of_care_together_final_for_web.pdf

Perry, Daniel P.

In the balance : silver tsunami or longevity dividend?

Quality in Ageing 2009; 10 (2): 15-22 (June 2009)

While still early in the 21st century, nations are experiencing an unprecedented rise in people living into their 80s, 90s, and even longer. Many national leaders view with alarm a possible tidal wave of chronic age-related disease and disability. Competing scenarios predict insurmountable social and economic stress; or alternatively, a future in which older people continue to function and contribute during extended healthy years of life made possible by scientific and medical advances. The latter vision, termed the 'longevity dividend', is discussed in terms of strategies for achieving this goal. 38 refs. [Abstract]

Jones, Ceri

How social enterprises can make a difference in caring for older people.

Working with Older People 2009; 13 (2): 13-16 (June 2009)

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WEB RESOURCES

Caring Choices

<http://www.caringchoices.org.uk/>

Commission on Funding of Care and Support (Dilnot Commission)

an independent body responsible for the review of the funding system for care and support in England.

<http://www.dilnotcommission.dh.gov.uk/>

Laing & Buisson

<http://www.laingbuisson.co.uk/>

Long-Term Care Finance - PSSRU programmes & projects:

<http://www.pssru.ac.uk/research.php#Prog06>

Paying for Long-Term Care

Joseph Rowntree Foundation

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/work/workarea/paying-for-long-term-care>

Resolution Foundation

<http://www.resolutionfoundation.org/>

Social care

Department of Health

<http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/SocialCare/index.htm>

The King's Fund : The Dilnot Commission

http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/current_projects/social_care_reform_of_funding_delivery/index.html

http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/current_projects/the_dilnot_commission_social_care_funding/index.html

Think Local, Act Personal

<http://www.thinklocalactpersonal.org.uk/index.cfm>

Freely available bibliographical databases:

- **Alzheimer's Society** - <http://www.alzheimers.org.uk/library>
- **The King's Fund** - <http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/library>
- **Social Care Online** - <http://www.scie-socialcareonline.org.uk/>

Reading lists

Reading lists are available at:

http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/resources/information_and_library_service/readinglists ;

email library@kingsfund.org.uk ; telephone 020 7307 2568

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