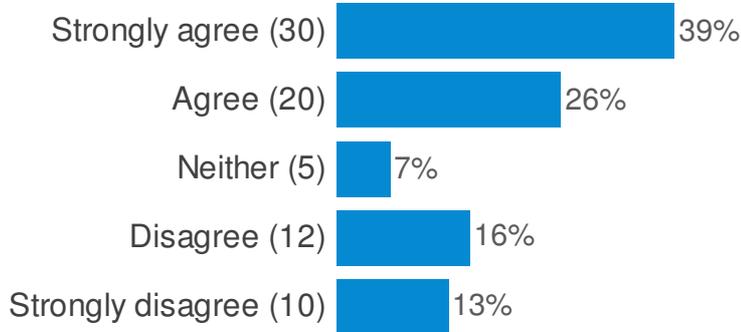


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Number of responses: 78

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Please X one box only

The Council should subsidise residents who have the means to fund their own care



Please tell us why you said this in the box below

Some people may have the money but not the capacity It's a stressful time for people that need help with social care. Why would you not support someone in the decision?

What bothers me about this is how do you decide who can afford to pay for their own care, yes there may be some residents who can easily afford to pay themselves but there will be some who are barely over the threshold and it will be difficult for them. I'm glad I don't have to make the decision.

Dad fought for his country, worked and saved all his life. How is it justified that someone who did none of these gets the exact same care for free? He deserves to be cared for in his own home, he's paid enough tax, NI, etc to warrant free care at this time in his life.

Everyone should be entitled to the same, regardless of their funds. Many have worked for years to have the funds they have, and just because someone has these funds, does not mean they should have to pay for the care they need.

Because care like NHS care should be free at the point of delivery

Because simply they will be forced to sell the family home whilst you sit back and charge silly amounts for care

Why should people who have worked all their lives pay out for care, it should be free

Explain exactly how you define 'means to fund their own care.

If they are in a financial position to pay, then they should do so.

We should be helping our disabled and elderly not penalsing them

Care should be free at the point of need like the NHS

Because these people generally have paid taxes and national insurance all their working lives and people who haven't worked have had their national insurance paid for them by the state, they then go on to receive the exact same care and that's fine but should be equal for all.

Everyone should have equal help

Because they have probably worked hard and sacrificed things in earlier years for what they have saved.

The upper threshold needs to be 25k and over that they pay the maximum weekly charge. However, dimuition of capital should be carried out during all assessments. So a full cost device user is full cost for 2 weeks for example then back to assessed charge. However this will require more staff on the FAB team as full cost needs to be applied quickly and the new assessed charge applied quickly and the DD amended quickly.

These people have worked all their lives to be in this position, contributing via tax and national insurance. . The subsidy should be needs based, not means based.

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The poor loves have probably saved all their lives to give their kids a bit of money and ended up having to pay for care for themselves!

Although they may be able to pay I feel that all their outgoings should be taken into account first including taxi costs if they have to use them and any medical costs they may have to pay for eg mobility scooter or wheel chair to enable them to get around

People who have paid into the system shd have help when need. Also, having help in their own home means they don't have to have residential care which in the long run could cost the council more money.

We paid more into the social care via council tax last month please use it.

Enough! People who can afford to pay should NOT be penalised for working hard all their lives when others haven't paid into the system + get it for free!

care should equate all joint income where relatives live in the same property are get carers allowance

Everyone should be entitled to subsidised care. Most people have paid into the pot for years, they shouldn't be penalised and charged again.

Because if they have any funds at all, they've probably worked hard all their lives & paid taxes all their lives. This should give them some entitlement to free care once they are aged. They shouldn't have to pay into "the system" twice.

People pay tax & national insurance to ensure adequate care throughout their lives. Their savings should not be used to pay for care that they've already more than paid for. It's time for the government and indeed local authorities to recognise the contributions that older generations make. Perhaps Councillors and MPs can take pay cuts to subsidise the money needed?

Totally uncaring towards residents needs.

I expect they have worked hard all their life to be in the position to have savings and paid taxes national insurance ect. Yet others who have failed to contribute to the taxes ect get for free. Im not judging but maybe all should be treated equally

Because you can't take it off them now once you've given it, regardless if they can afford it or not. That would be cruel.

Why should a person have to pay for care? If they have paid taxes (worked all their life) then care should be free.

If they can afford to pay for it, they should

As a council tax payee my tax goes up year by year and includes a precept for social care. Why should people who have paid all their life into the system have to pay for assistance as they need it.

I feel if residents have worked hard, paid taxes and council tax then they should be eligible for some help with costs of care.

Because you pay in all your life should not be punished for having money you put the council tax up so use it

People who have worked hard all their life should not be discriminated against

I couldn't afford to pay for carers to come and help that's why I rely on my family but at times they sometimes their busy lives get in the way of looking or helping me out.

Because it is a health need and people shouldn't be punished for it and have to sell their homes when they have paid tax and worked hard.

An elderly vulnerable person should not be penalised just because they've been careful with their finances. There are some people who will deliberately fritter away their money so that local governments will pick up the tab. This does happen.

People are ill they don't choose to be ill and they have paid their taxes all their life for the care

The majority of these people will already have paid a lifetime of tax and council tax

Because they have paid all their lives and are paying extra council tax for social care unlike the ones who have sat back doing nothing .

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We have paid our taxes and national insurance during our working lifetime so we should not have to pay fund our care when we need it.

They have probably paid for it in tax.

As an old person, the assets they have could be their children's inheritance., and should NOT be subject to any seizure in respect of their ongoing social care. It is grossly unfair to seize assets that could be a families inheritance to pay for something the council, I feel should provide free.

People have saved all their lives and paid national insurance and tax. This is an extra cost for people who have been careful with their financial planning

Social Care & health care should both be funded by taxes, even if this means increases in tax & both should be free for all

If they have paid council tax and national insurance contributions then the council should pay. Why as our council tax green and blue bins gone up. When we are park of the Mersey area and Liverpool does not pay also Liverpool residents get a bus pass at 60 our is 65 in Halton!! Why do we pay £25 or £27 towards Liverpool mayor????

It's not fair for those that have saved all their lives to not receive this. People who have never worked are entitled to it as well as subsidised council tax so how is that fair

Despite being able to afford it I feel these people will have paid their fair share into the system throughout their working life and should now be able to rely on the system now that they need it.

People who work and save all of their lives should not have to pay for services which are free to people who have seldom worked, saved for a pension or put money aside for their old age. Working people pay National Insurance, which should cover care costs. No insurance company would ever say "We're not paying your claim, you've got enough in the bank to cover it"

What do you mean by ' who have the means to pay '. Is that because of savings, investments or equity on there home ?

Who determines if a person has 'the means'? The threshold is set insufficiently and is likely to change to meet the financial need of the local authority. The financial impact on their spouse or other family is crippling. Money should be saved elsewhere

They have paid there taxes all their life so deserve to have care in their old age

People shouldnt be penalised for saving for there old age

People have saved all their lives and paid national insurance and tax. This is an extra cost for people who have been careful with their financial planning

Because the people who have worked hard all their lives and put money aside shouldn't be penalised. Just a small discount, but should get one nonetheless

I agree but it should be with boundaries, for example, if the individual has an income over a certain threshold.

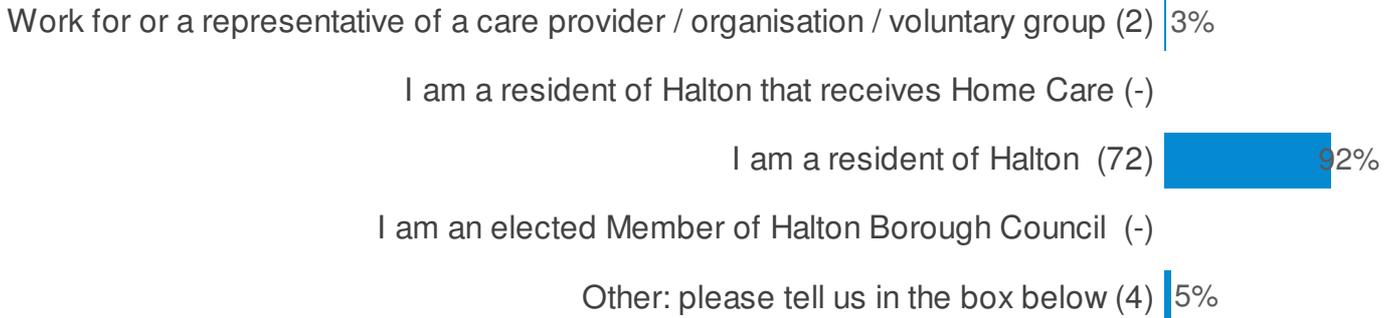
If people can afford it then they should pay

Not everyone can afford it.

if people can afford to they should pay, however this must be fair and equitable, without loopholes for people who can work it

About You Section

How are you completing this questionnaire? Please X one box only



Daughter of resident receiving care

Wife of someone who receives care

I have 20 plus years previous experience working with adults needing health and social care

My Father and Husband both had to fund their social care services.

I am a former resident with an elderly dependent who lives in the borough.

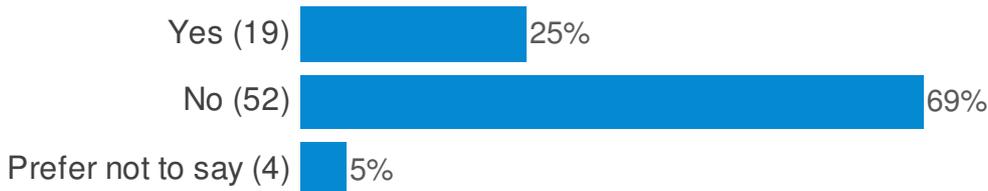
Name of care provider / organisation / voluntary group:

I'd rather not disclose

Your role for the care provider / organisation / voluntary group:

Care coordinator

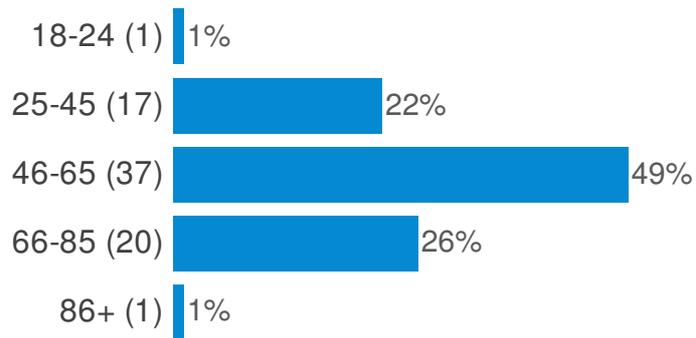
Do you have a physical or mental health condition or illness expected to last 12 months or more? Please X one box only



Do you receive any support from Social Services? Please X one box only



Which age group do you belong to? Please X one box only



Prefer not say (-)