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Request and Response:

- 1. What overall number of care home beds for over 65 year olds (in total and for nursing beds) were occupied/vacant in the Cornwall local authority area (Unitary)? Please fill in the following table.**

Further to the clarification received by you on the 4th February 2019, Adult Social Care have included all types of residents (permanent, short term and respite).

<u>Total Residential & Nursing</u>	Jan.2016 01/01/16- 31/01/16	July.2016 01/07/16- 31/07/16	Jan.2017 01/01/17- 31/01/17	July.2017 01/07/17- 31/07/17	Jan.2018 01/01/18- 31/01/18	July.2018 01/07/18- 31/07/18	Currently Snapshot 18/02/19
Total number of occupied care beds for over 65s.	1739	1708	1723	1778	1747	1747	1407
Total number of vacant care beds for over 65s.	/	/	/	/	/	/	/
Total number of care beds for over 65s.	/	/	/	/	/	/	/

<u>Nursing</u>	Jan. 2016 01/01/16- 31/01/16	July. 2016 01/07/16- 31/07/16	Jan.2017 01/01/17- 31/01/17	July.2017 01/07/17- 31/07/17	Jan.2018 01/01/18- 31/01/18	July.2018 01/07/18- 31/07/18	Currently Snapshot 18/02/19
Number of occupied nursing care beds for over 65s.	536	540	507	534	517	542	430
Number of vacant nursing care beds for over 65s.	/	/	/	/	/	/	/
Total number of nursing care beds for over 65s.	/	/	/	/	/	/	/

These figures show the number of people (aged 65+) with an open commitment for a residential or nursing placement, whether this is permanent, short term or respite. This represents the number of people in residential or nursing care; it doesn't represent the occupation of beds. The figures only represent service users who, in the specified month had an address in Cornwall as their recorded main address.

Due to the way in which respite is recorded (as block purchases), we are unable to include all service users who have respite.

The 'Total' figures represent both 'Residential and Nursing' placements and the 'Nursing' figures are those which are only 'nursing' which is a subset of the 'Total'.

We have provided the data for the complete months specified, for example, for January 2016, we provided data from 01/01/16 to 31/01/16. For 'Currently' we have provided snapshot data as of the 18/02/19.

I can confirm that Cornwall Council holds further information falling within the description specified in question 1 of your request. However, we estimate that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit of £450 as it would take at least 100 hours to locate, retrieve and collate the information. This is due to the way the data is held which would involve a manual file check of 200 records

The appropriate limit has been specified in regulations and for local Government it is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending approximately 2½ working days (18 hours) in determining whether the Council holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

Please contact me to let me know if you would like the Council to proceed with your request in this way.

2. What number of care home residents over the age of 65 who currently have their care home fees paid by the local authority? Please complete the table below.

Further to the clarification received by you on the 4th February 2019, Adult Social Care have included all types of residents (permanent, short term and respite).

Residential & Nursing	Jan. 2016	July. 2016	Jan. 2017	July. 2017	Jan. 2018	July. 2018	Currently
Number of fully funded care beds for over 65s.	247	218	245	248	246	254	119
Number of partially funded care beds for over 65s.	1584	1584	1582	1642	1612	1601	1401
Number of privately funded care beds for over 65s.	/	/	/	/	/	/	/

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The 'fully funded' figures represent service users who make no contribution to their residential/nursing placement and those which are 'partially funded' are those who receive funding from the Council and make a contribution towards their care. We are unable to provide the number of privately funded beds.

3. What are the standard fees rates for Local Authority funded care home beds for the over 65s for both Nursing and Residential Care? Please complete the following table.

	Jan. 2016	July. 2016	Jan. 2017	Jan. 2017	July. 2018	July. 2018	Currently
Residential care beds fee rates for over 65s.	From July 2015 to 9 April 2018 the Council used a Resource Allocation tool to calculate placement costs based on individual needs, £230 was then added to this for Hotel Costs				From 9 April 2018 Usual Maximum Price was established for the weekly fees. £687 Residential, £736 Residential Dementia and £756 Nursing (Plus FNC). Where there are 121 hours under 20 per week these are paid at £15.31 per hour. If someone requires more than 20 hours 121 then a Bespoke rate is calculated using the Care Funding Calculator.		
Nursing care beds fee rates for over 65s.							

4. Do these fee rates vary based on the quality of care or the facilities available? If yes, please give details.

No.

5. What number of care home occupants over the age 65, are currently funded by the NHS (either directly or through a clinical Commissioning Group/ Continuing Healthcare)?

This information is not held by Cornwall Council however may be held by the NHS Kernow Clinical Commissioning Group (KCCG), please see below link to their FOI contact page;

[https://www.kernowccg.nhs.uk/get-info/information-governance/freedom-of-information-\(foi\)-requests/](https://www.kernowccg.nhs.uk/get-info/information-governance/freedom-of-information-(foi)-requests/)

6. What number of local authority funded residents pay a top up fee?

The Council does not currently collect information around 3rd Party Top Ups.

7. Are the care home rooms for over 65 year olds required to have any of the following in order for a resident funded by the local authority to be placed there:

a. An en-suite WC?

Not a requirement.

b. Single occupancy room (excluding couples)?

Not a requirement.

c. A minimum care regulatory rating?

Needs to have current CQC rating as a minimum Requires Improvement.

d. Any additional criteria?

The placement needs to be fit for purpose for the person.

8. In the last complete financial year, how much money did the local authority spend on all forms of social care and support? Please may you also include the dates that your financial year covers?

The net spend for 2017-18 for all Social Care (Adults and Childrens) was £203.6m. The financial year for 2017 - 2018 is from 01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018. This Adult Social Care amount relates to long-term support only.

9. Of the amount mentioned in question 8, how much of this was spent on social care for the over 65s, including all forms of social care and support?

Included in the amount in Question 8, £74.123m is the net-spend for people aged 65 and over, for 2017 - 2018.

10. Of the amount mentioned in question 9, how much of this was spent on care homes for the over 65s?

For the amount in Question 9, £47.7m is the net-spend for people aged 65 and over, in Residential or Nursing care homes, for 2017 - 2018.

11. Currently, how many over 65 year olds who receive local authority funding for a care home bed, are placed outside the local authority boundary?

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This figure represents people who receive any local authority funding, whether this is partial or full.

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For 'Currently' we have provided snapshot data as of the 18/02/2019.

Information provided by: Adult Social Care

Date of response: 1st March 2019