



# HOUSE OF LORDS

## ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

### Social care funding in England

#### *Call for evidence*

The House of Lords Economic Affairs Committee, chaired by the Rt Hon. the Lord Forsyth of Drumlean, is investigating the funding challenges for social care in England.

#### **Evidence sought**

The Committee is seeking evidence to address the following questions:

- What are the funding challenges for social care in England, and how can they be overcome?
- Why have successive governments been reluctant to address challenges in the delivery of social care?
- How can a sustainable funding model for social care supported by a diverse and stable market be created?
- How can the cost of the provision of social care be fairly distributed?
- What lessons can be learnt from elsewhere in the United Kingdom, or from other countries, in how they approach social care?

**This is a public call for written evidence to be submitted to the Committee. The deadline is 9 October 2018.**

We are looking to hear from as diverse a range of views as possible—if you think someone you know would have an interest in contributing to the inquiry, please do pass this on to them.

House of Lords reports make recommendations to Her Majesty's Government. Social care is a devolved area for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. As such this inquiry is focusing on social care in England. However, the Committee is interested in the lessons that can be learnt from the other nations in in the United Kingdom.

When preparing your response, please bear in mind that short, concise submissions are preferred. Responses must not be longer than **five sides of A4**. Please also bear in mind that we cannot accept anything that has not been prepared specifically in response to this call for evidence, or that has been published elsewhere.

Guidance on how to submit evidence is contained overleaf.



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## How to submit evidence

Written evidence should be submitted online using the written submission form available at: [www.parliament.uk/hlinquiry-social-care-funding-submission-form](http://www.parliament.uk/hlinquiry-social-care-funding-submission-form)

If you do not have access to a computer you may submit a paper copy to:

Clerk to the Economic Affairs Committee  
Committee Office,  
House of Lords,  
London SW1A 0PW

The deadline for written evidence is **9 October 2018**. Short, concise submissions, of no more than three pages, are strongly preferred. A longer submission should include a one-page summary. Paragraphs should be numbered. Submissions should be dated, with a note of the author's name, and of whether the author is acting on an individual or corporate basis. All submissions made through the written submission form will be acknowledged automatically by email. You do not need to answer every question in our call for evidence.

Submissions become the property of the Committee which will decide whether to accept them as evidence. Evidence may be published by the Committee at any stage. It will normally appear on the Committee's website and will be deposited in the Parliamentary Archives. Once you have received acknowledgement that your submission has been accepted as evidence, you may publicise or publish it yourself, but in doing so you must indicate that it was prepared for the Committee. If you publish your evidence separately, you should be aware that you will be legally responsible for its content.

Personal contact details supplied to the Committee will be removed from submissions before publication but will be retained by the Committee staff for specific purposes relating to the Committee's work, such as seeking additional information. You should be careful not to comment on individual cases currently before a court of law, or matters in respect of which court proceedings are imminent. If you anticipate such issues arising, you should discuss with the Clerk of the Committee how this might affect your submission.

Certain individuals and organisations may be invited to appear in person before the Committee to give oral evidence. Oral evidence is usually given in public at Westminster and broadcast in audio and online. Persons invited to give oral evidence will be notified separately of the procedure to be followed and the topics likely to be discussed.

Substantive communications to the Committee about the inquiry should be addressed through the Clerk, whether or not they are intended to constitute formal evidence to the Committee.

This is a public call for evidence. Please bring it to the attention of other groups and individuals who may not have received a copy direct. You can follow the progress of the inquiry at <http://www.parliament.uk/hleconomicaffairs> or on Twitter @LordsEconCom.

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