

**Written evidence submitted by Dr Tom Ettling**

My 96 year old father in law is a resident in a care home. He suffers from cerebrovascular disease induced dementia and was admitted in April 2018 following the death of his carer, my mother in law. He is completely dependent, wears nappies for incontinence, but is otherwise well and does not qualify for enhanced nursing help. We cannot fault the level of care provided.

His house has been sold to fund his care.

He receives £183.92 funded nursing care per week (£9563.84 per annum) - paid direct to the home.

His care costs for the last 12 months 1/2/2020 - 31/1/2021 are £86,389.13

Therefore annual payment is £ 95,952.97

To date his care has cost £254,216.22 – detailed below.

I understand that the average cost of residential social care in his post code area is circa £45000 per annum.

Dad's fees obviously subsidise those residents who are state funded, and whose funding is inadequate to keep the care home viable.

This system is unfair, iniquitous and financially calamitous. He has cerebrovascular disease, not a social inconvenience.

In 2019, the Prime Minister promised on the steps of Downing St to fix social care, and to protect us or our parents or grandparents from the fear of having to sell their home to pay for the costs of care.

Yours sincerely

Tom Ettling

29/06/2018	12984.28	19582.95
31/07/2018	6598.57	26181.52
31/08/2018	6385.71	32567.23
28/09/2018	7126.46	39693.69
31/10/2018	6896.57	46590.26
30/11/2018	7126.46	53716.72
31/12/2018	7126.46	60843.18
31/01/2019	6436.8	67279.98
28/02/2019	7126.46	74406.44

29/03/2019	7448.57	81855.01
30/04/2019	7696.86	89551.87
31/05/2019	7448.57	97000.44
28/06/2019	7696.86	104697.3
31/07/2019	7696.86	112394.16
30/08/2019	7448.57	119842.73
30/09/2019	5804.71	125647.44
31/10/2019	6739.03	132386.47
26/11/2019	6963.66	139350.13
31/12/2019	6963.66	146313.79
31/01/2020	6514.39	152828.18
28/02/2020	6963.66	159791.84
31/03/2020	7278.17	167070.01
30/04/2020	7520.78	174590.79
29/05/2020	7199.49	181790.28
30/06/2020	6790.63	188580.91
31/07/2020	7439.47	196020.38
28/08/2020	7199.49	203219.87
30/09/2020	7439.47	210659.34
30/10/2020	7199.49	217858.83
30/11/2020	7199.49	225058.32
31/12/2020	7439.47	232497.79
31/01/2021	6719.52	239217.31
28/02/2021	7439.47	246656.78
31/03/2021	7559.44	254216.22

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