

## **Green Party Motion passed at the 2021 Conference:**

Free social care and support for disabled adults

### **Motion Synopsis:**

Millions of people rely on Social Care and Support. The current system is thoroughly broken. This motion clarifies and extends Green Party policy to offer a fully funded service, free at the point of use, with a universal legal right to independent living for all adults with disabilities.

### **Motion Text:**

Personal care and support for disabled adults should be provided free, so that they can operate from a financial foundation equal to their peers. This includes any expenses incurred from having a disability, such as communication aids, interpretation and accommodation adaptations, mental health support, personal mobility aids, learning support, counselling, psychotherapy, art and music therapy or other therapies as appropriate.

All Social Care, Support and Independent Living services for disabled adults should be:

- Free at the point of use
- Fully publicly funded
- Subject to national standards based on Article 19 of the UN Convention on the Rights of Disabled People
- Accountable to local democratic bodies, within a secure national framework of laws, guidance and funding
- Designed and delivered locally and co-productively involving Local Authorities, the NHS, disabled adults, carers and staff unions
- Underpinned by a workforce with good pay, conditions, training and career structure
- Committed to giving informal carers the rights and support they need”

This will make all the vast variety of social care, support and independent living services free.