



Adult Social Care - Update



This report is written in Easy Read.

You can ask for help reading it.



If you need help to read this you could ask:

- A support worker
- Someone in your family
- A friend or carer



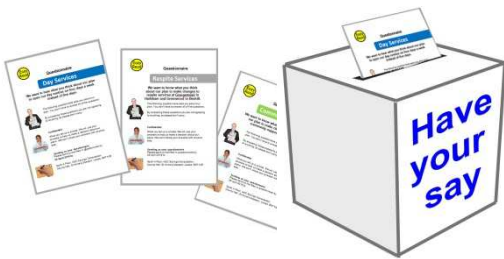
Words highlighted in **green** are explained on the last page (page 12).



The council has to save money so we have to find ways to spend less money.



We shared with you our ideas to save money.



You told us how you feel about the ideas.

You told us that:



Most of you don't like our plans to change the services.



Many of you are angry, sad and worried about the changes.

You are most worried about:



The day services closing for one day a week.



Families not being able to have a break if people have less time at **respite**.



You said that changes are hard for people to understand.



You said that changes will be hard for families too.



You told us it is important to have a **routine**.



You felt the changes could make it harder for some people to keep living at home.



Hastings and Rother



Hookstead



Linden Court



St.Nicholas

Day services



You told us you like seeing your friends and the staff at day services



Some of you are worried about being able to do activities you like.



Families are worried about staff leaving.



Some of you said you don't mind staying at home if you can't go to day services.



Community support service

You told us you are worried about:



- Being safe at home



- Being safe in the community



You said you need help to do jobs around the house.



You said you wouldn't be able to get out and about without the service.



You said it would make it harder to learn new things too.



Grangemead



Greenwood

Respite



Families told us it would be more stressful for them.

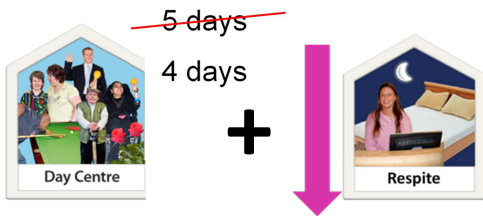


It would make it harder for them to have a break.

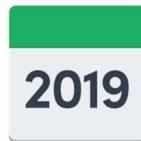


People don't think the **outreach respite service** is a good idea.

Because of what you told us we have changed some of our ideas:



If your day service changes AND how often you go to respite services, how much respite you get will stay the same till the end of March 2019.



If your day service AND your community support service changes, your community support hours will stay the same till the end of March 2019.



Our idea for an **outreach respite service** will not happen until April.



If your services will change you will be able to talk to a Care Manager about this before anything changes.

Respite Service

2 weeks 

Longer respite breaks (for example one or two weeks) can still be taken as long as:

- You have enough nights in your allocation
- Breaks start on either a Monday or a Friday
- Breaks end on either a Friday or a Monday



Day Services

The day each day service would close has changed to make sure that respite breaks are not affected.

The closure days are now proposed as follows:



Linden Court



Linden Court, Eastbourne to close on a Tuesday.



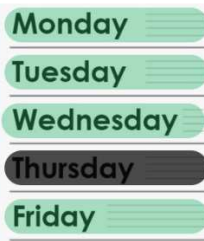
Hookstead



Hastings and Rother day service and Hookstead, Crowborough to close on a Wednesday.



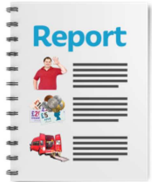
St.Nicholas Centre



St. Nicholas Centre, Lewes to close on a Thursday.



On 26 June there will be a meeting at East Sussex County Council to talk about all the ideas for saving money and to make some decisions.



Councillors will read what you have told us to help them to decide what to do.



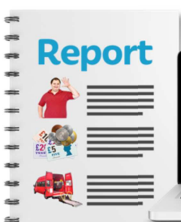
The Council has to save a lot of money. It's nearly £10 million for social care.



The decisions are difficult and may make things worse for people.



But, we will still provide services for people who need it, and we take that job very seriously.



The reports with your views are on the Internet.

<https://consultation.eastsussex.gov.uk/adult-social-care/savings/>

What happens next:



Many people are worried about their services.



When the decisions are made, we will let you know what will happen next



If the changes go ahead, nothing will happen straight away.



We will talk to you about changes once we know more.



If you are worried you can talk to your key worker or any member of staff.

Glossary (explaining words)

These are the words highlighted in green.

Word	Meaning
Respite	Support to give carers a break provided away from your home. Currently at Grangemead and Greenwood.
Outreach respite service	Support to give carers a break provided in your home.
Routine	To do the same things regularly.