



# Extended consultation for Adult Overnight Residential Respite (Including additional question on who provides respite)

Southampton City Council is consulting on proposals for the future delivery of overnight residential respite services for adults with learning disabilities living in Southampton.

We would like to hear your thoughts on the proposal options and any impacts or alternative suggestions you would like us to consider. Now is your opportunity to have your say.

An online version of this questionnaire can be found at:  
[www.southampton.gov.uk/RespiteConsultation](http://www.southampton.gov.uk/RespiteConsultation)

You can also email your consultation feedback or queries to [yourcity.yoursay@southampton.gov.uk](mailto:yourcity.yoursay@southampton.gov.uk)

This consultation closes **Wednesday 19 March 2025**.

## ***Background***

Respite services support people with a learning disability and their carers by helping carers to take a break from caring. Overnight residential respite in Southampton is currently provided at Kentish Road (provided by the Council), Rose Road (provided by the Rose Road Association) and Weston Court (provided by Way Ahead).

Like many councils across the country, Southampton is facing significant financial challenges. This means that we need to review how peoples assessed needs are supported. For this consultation, we are focusing on a review of our overnight residential respite service.

We are proposing to maximise the use of our own internal respite provision by providing the majority of overnight residential respite in house. We have two potential options on how we propose to do this.

We feel this would provide best value for Southampton residents and help us meet respite needs in the future. Please note, we are not proposing a reduction in the amount of overnight residential respite that we provide.

This is an extension to the consultation which occurred between October and December last year. We are not proposing anything different in terms of the 2-site model of respite (option 1) or the single site model of respite (option 2). We are simply offering extra time to have your say. After considering the feedback gathered so far, we have also added in an extra question and a bit of extra detail to the questionnaire, to further understand peoples opinions regarding our respite services at Kentish Road and Weston Court being provided by the Council, external providers or a combination of both.

If you already took part in the consultation between October and December last year, your views will still be taken into account as normal. You do not need to complete the consultation again unless there is further feedback you would like to add.

This questionnaire will go into more detail on the proposals and provide an opportunity to have your say.

**To help us guide you through the questionnaire, please tell us if you have completed the consultation questionnaire already? (Between October and December last year)**

- Yes, but I would like to provide additional feedback or read the questionnaire again.  
 No

***If you have already answered the questionnaire before, and would just like to provide feedback on the new questions, feel free to skip to page 5, to provide opinions on the use of external providers.***

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## ***Proposal to maximise the use of our own internal respite provision***

Currently the council uses some external providers to run overnight residential respite. We are proposing to reduce our use of external providers and instead provide most overnight residential respite ourselves.

We feel this would provide best value for Southampton residents and help us meet respite needs in the future.

The Council would continue to commission some overnight residential respite from external providers like Rose Road, specifically for people with more complex needs. For example, if they require nursing support. We are also not proposing any change to respite provision for children up to 18 using Rose Road.

After this section of the questionnaire, we will provide two proposed options on how to deliver the majority of overnight residential respite in house.

**To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposal to maximise the use of our own internal respite provision?**

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strongly agree | <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agree          | <input type="checkbox"/> Strongly disagree                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neither        | <input type="checkbox"/> I have answered this question already before |

**What impact do you feel this may have on you, or your family?**

- A very positive impact  
 A fairly positive impact  
 No impact at all  
 A fairly negative impact  
 A very negative impact  
 Don't know  
 I have answered this question already before

If you disagree with the proposals, or have any comments, impacts, suggestions or alternatives you feel we should consider, please provide details:

***Potential options that will deliver the majority of overnight residential respite from the Council’s properties Weston Court and/or Kentish Road.***

The following table shows the two proposed options that will deliver the majority of overnight residential respite in house.

	<b>Option one - 2 site option</b>	<b>Option two - single site option</b>
<b>Summary</b>	Southampton City Council would become the provider at Weston Court and run this as well as Kentish Road.  More bed spaces would be available at Kentish Road for those who do not have complex needs and might previously have been cared for at Rose Road.	Services at Weston Court would be stopped meaning the majority of overnight residential respite will be at Kentish Road.  More bed spaces would be available at Kentish Road for those who do not have complex needs and might previously have been cared for at Rose Road and anyone that may have been cared for at Weston Court.
<b>Available overnight residential respite sites (council run or commissioned)</b>		
Weston Court	✓ Continue	× No longer provide overnight residential respite
Kentish Road	✓ Continue	✓ Continue
Rose Road	✓ Continue (for those with complex needs only)	✓ Continue (for those with complex needs only)
<b>Registered care provider</b>		
Weston Court	Change to Southampton City Council (instead of Way Ahead)	× No longer provide overnight residential respite
Kentish Road	Stay the same - Southampton City Council	Stay the same - Southampton City Council
Rose Road	Stay the same - Rose Road Association	Stay the same - Rose Road Association
<b>Change in the number of overnight beds available (council run or commissioned)</b>		
Overall	↑ Increase	↑ Increase
Weston Court	↑ Increase	↓ No overnight beds available
Kentish Road	↑ Increase (to accommodate those who would have previously gone to Rose Road)	↑ Increase (to accommodate those who would have previously gone to Weston Court or Rose Road)
Rose Road	↓ Decrease (only available for those with complex needs)	↓ Decrease (only available for those with complex needs)

**Which of the proposed options do you prefer?**

- Option One
- Option Two
- I don't like either option
- I have answered this question already before

**To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following options?**

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither	Disagree	Strongly disagree	I have answered this question already before
Option One	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Option Two	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**What impact do you feel the options may have on you, or your family?**

	A very positive impact	A fairly positive impact	No impact at all	A fairly negative impact	A very negative impact	Don't know	I have answered this question already before
Option One	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Option Two	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**If you disagree, or have any comments, impacts, suggestions or alternatives you feel we should consider, please provide details:**

## Opinions on the use of external providers

Whilst our preferred option currently is to deliver the majority of overnight residential respite in house, we would like to understand what you feel the impact would be if we were to consider the use of mostly external providers for Kentish Road and Weston Court or a combination of the council and external providers instead. If helpful, we have put together a bit of extra detail on how this could look which is available online here: [www.southampton.gov.uk/RespiteConsultation](http://www.southampton.gov.uk/RespiteConsultation)

Please note, if external providers were used, there is no guarantee on who they would be. Current contracts for respite are coming to an end and we legally have to follow strict rules on getting new contracts or new providers.

**If we instead considered the use of mostly external providers or a combination of both external providers and the council for Kentish Road and Weston Court, what impact do you feel this may have on you, or your family?**

	A very positive impact	A fairly positive impact	No impact at all	A fairly negative impact	A very negative impact	Don't know
External providers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A combination of both the council and external providers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**If you have any comments, impacts, suggestions or alternatives you feel we should consider, please provide details:**

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## About you

**Which of the following overnight respite services do you attend?**

*Please tick all that apply.*

- Weston Court
- Kentish Road
- Rose Road
- Other
- None of the above

**If other, please specify:**

**Which of the following describes your interest in this consultation?**

*Please tick all that apply.*

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> As a cared for person                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> A private business  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> As a carer  | <input type="checkbox"/> Public sector organisation  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> As both a cared for person and carer                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Third sector organisation (e.g. voluntary or community groups and charities, etc) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resident of Southampton                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Employee of Southampton City Council  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resident elsewhere                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Political member  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Someone that works, visits, or studies in Southampton | <input type="checkbox"/> Other   |

**If other, please specify:**

***Only answer the following questions about your postcode, sex, gender, age, ethnicity and disability if you are responding as an individual, and not as a private business and public or third sector organisation.***

**What is your postcode?**

*This is used for geographical analysis only and will not be used to identify or contact you.*

**What is your sex?**

- Male  Female  Prefer not to say

**Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?**

- Yes  No  Prefer not to say

**If no, please write in your gender identity:**

**What is your age?**

- |                                   |                                  |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Under 18 | <input type="checkbox"/> 35 - 44 | <input type="checkbox"/> 65 - 74           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 18 - 24  | <input type="checkbox"/> 45 - 54 | <input type="checkbox"/> 75+               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 25 - 34  | <input type="checkbox"/> 55 - 64 | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say |

**How would you describe your ethnic group?**

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian or Asian British                     | <input type="checkbox"/> White other        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black, Black British, Caribbean or African | <input type="checkbox"/> Other ethnic group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed or multiple ethnic groups            | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White British                              |   |

**If other, please specify:**

**Do you have any physical or mental health conditions or illnesses lasting or expected to last 12 months or more?**

- Yes  No  Prefer not to say

**If yes, do any of your conditions or illnesses reduce your ability to carry out day-to-day activities?**

Yes, a lot

Not at all

Yes, a little

Prefer not to say

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### ***What happens next?***

The consultation closes on **Wednesday 19 March 2025**. After this date, all feedback will be analysed and considered before a final decision is made.

Please return completed surveys to:

*Consultations,  
First Floor, West Wing,  
Civic Centre,  
Southampton,  
SO14 7LY.*

Alternatively, please hand completed surveys back to any Southampton City Council-run library.

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