

**Council meeting: 29 October 2019**  
**Motion: Cllr Pauline Coakley Webb**  
**Supporting people with Alzheimer's and Dementia**

Council notes that Alzheimer's and dementia is affecting more and more of our residents as we support an increasing ageing population.

Council believes that carers are usually so busy coping with their caring role that unless we positively promote the benefits to which the person suffering these diseases are entitled to, many will go unnoticed.

Council notes that LBB's website is not clear when it comes to the pages relating to both council tax exemptions and blue badge applications for those suffering from Alzheimer's and dementia.

Council agrees to add additional precise information both on the relevant council website pages and as an informative article in the next Barnet First magazine.

Council therefore instructs officers to amend the web pages on council tax exemption to include specifically that mental health impairment includes dementia and Alzheimer's, and that council tax reductions and exemptions can be backdated to the date of diagnosis.

Likewise, in respect of the new blue badge guidelines, which were formally implemented by local authorities on 30th August 2019, Council instructs officers to specify that non-visible hidden conditions includes dementia and Alzheimer's.

Council agrees that information on both aspects will be made prominent in the next issue of Barnet First magazine.

**Under Full Council Procedure Rule 17.17: if my item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting, I ask that it be voted upon at the Council meeting.**