



**Easy Read Version
of
Neath Port Talbot Council's
Adult Services Assisted
Transport Policy 2019**



What is the Policy about?



The Policy describes how Neath Port Talbot Council will assess adults' transport needs to get to and from social care support in their communities.



This Policy explains what the Council will look at when assessing if you need support provided or paid for by the Council to travel to the services you need.



This Policy will apply to people who already access transport services as well as people who may need transport services in the future.

What does Neath Port Talbot Council want out of the Policy?

We want to make sure that adults in Neath Port Talbot get the right amount of help with travel to and from services needed to meet their assessed needs.

We will look at what options and support a person already has to help them travel to services.

If a person has no way of traveling to the services they need without the Council helping with transport, then the person may be entitled to receive help as part of meeting their assessed need.

If a person is able to reach the services they need, for example by using their mobility car or bus pass, or with the help of someone willing and able to help, the Council may not provide transport assistance.

Our Aim

The aim of this policy is to help the Council identify those people who can only access the services they need if they get help from the Council with travel arrangements.

What type of things will we look at?

When assessing if a person needs Council help in traveling to services we may look at the following:

- Have you or your carer got access to a vehicle, such as a Motability Car?
- Can you use public transport on your own, with help or if we provided travel training?
- Are you receiving higher rate mobility allowance which can be used to help pay for transport?
- If you're not receiving those benefits, can we help you to apply for them?

Who will be affected by this Policy?

Everyone for whom the Council currently provides assistance with transport, and who asks us for help in the future.

We will look at a person's transport needs as part of the Care and Support Plan assessment. If a person has no other way of accessing the services they need, we will consider if the person is eligible to receive transport help from the Council to travel to services.

We will also look at a person's transport needs as part of their Care and Support Plan review to make sure that the person still needs this service. If a person no longer needs this service because they have other ways of accessing services then we may stop providing travel support.