

## **APPENDIX 6**

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### **PART G.3 OF THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS**

#### **Social services care contracts for individuals**

6.10. Social Services and Children's Services care contracts may be 'block' contracts (where a number of beds, places or services is provided by the contractor **at pre-agreed prices** pricing schedules, to which the Council may refer users over the contract period) or 'spot' contracts (one-off contracts meeting an individual user's needs, or contracts where a number of beds, places or services are provided by the contractor **without pre-agreed prices**, such prices to be agreed upon each referral of a user over the contract period). The Directors of Social Services and Children's Services will seek to maximise the use of block contracts where this represents best value for the Council. The following provisions shall apply to Social Services and Children's Services care contracts:

- (a) All Contract Standing Orders apply to block contracts;
- (b) Contract Standing Orders 8, 9, 10 and 11 (in relation to tender procedures and formation of contract) shall not apply to spot contracts;
- (c) The Directors of Social Services and Children's Services may award all spot contracts, which shall be reviewed at least annually as part of the review of whether the service provided continues to meet the needs of the service user;
- (d) The Directors of Social Services and Children's Services shall provide monthly reports to the relevant Executive Member and ~~an annual~~ a quarterly report to the Executive detailing the nature, extent and value of spot contracts entered into in the previous quarter ~~year~~.

