



How much does it cost to live at Bridgemead

These fees are valid between 1st April 2025 and 31st March 2026 and are reviewed annually.

The Registered Care Manager will assess you prior to admission to determine the level of care provision required. During a stay at Bridgemead, fees can change if the level of care you need increases or if there is a change in the law which significantly impacts the cost of your care. You will be given one month's notice of any changes in fees. You can find further information on fee reviews and changes in the Residential Care Agreement, a sample of which can be requested from the home or found on our website at www.pilgrimsfriend.org.uk/information.

We accept those who are **paying for their own care (self-funders)**, those who are being **supported by the Local Authority** and those in receipt of **Continuing Healthcare (CHC)** funding and those in receipt of **NHS Funded Nursing Care (NHS-FNC)**.

Our fees

Our fees are charged per person, per week. We do not require a deposit and we do not require a guarantor. This will include the provision of personal care, food and drink (including snacks), heating, lighting, equipment, laundry, insurance of personal items (except individual items worth more than £1,000), and in-house activities.

Levels of care provision

We have four levels of care provision at Bridgemead.

- **Basic residential care:** this is where the assessed needs are relatively uncomplicated and where mechanical or technical assistance is rarely needed.
- **Higher dependency:** this is where the assessed needs are complex and where mechanical or technical assistance is intermittently needed.
- **Enhanced care:** this is where assessed needs are highly complex and where mechanical or technical assistance is frequently needed.
- **Nursing Care:** this is where the assessed needs require the intervention of a qualified nurse.

Standard room

	Weekly rate	with en-suite
Basic residential care	£1,393	£1,431
Higher dependency	£1,431	£1,469
Enhanced care	£1,511	£1,549
Nursing Care	£1,765	£1,868

Respite care fee structure

Respite care fees must be settled by cheque or bank transfer at least ten days before admission to secure your place

	Weekly rate for stays of seven days or more (pro-rata)	Daily rate for stays of less than seven days
Basic residential care (standard / en-suite)	£1,477 / £1,517	£235 / £241
Higher dependency (standard / en-suite)	£1,517 / £1,558	£241 / £248
Enhanced care (standard / en-suite)	£1,602 / £1,642	£255 / £261
Nursing Care	£1,871 / £1,981	£297 / £315

What's not included in your fees

At Bridgemean we offer some services which are not covered by your weekly fees but we can arrange for them to be provided at a cost. You will be responsible for payment of extra items and services and we shall let you know their cost beforehand. The latest price guide is available from the home.

Extras are hairdressing, personal purchases such as stationery, confectionery, and toiletries, newspapers and magazines, clothing including shoes and slippers, dry cleaning, the installation of private telephone line, internet or cable TV connections, and room clearance services.

Chiropody, opticians and dentistry, if not provided free by the NHS, can be provided at additional cost.

If you need an escort to hospital appointments which cannot be provided by the NHS or your representative or relative, we can provide a member of our care staff to escort you at an additional cost, plus any transport costs. The current rates are:

- care staff escort: £25.01/hour (plus 50% at bank holidays and weekends)
- transport if provided by staff or volunteer: 45p/mile
- taxi: going rate

Funding arrangements

We accept those who are paying for their own care (self-funders), those who are being supported by the Local Authority, those in receipt of NHS Continuing Healthcare (CHC) and those in receipt of NHS-funded Nursing care.

Self funders

If you intend to pay your own fees, you are expected to have liquid funds to meet the home's fees for a minimum of two years.

Local Authority Funding

If you cannot pay for your own care then you (or your attorney) should approach your local social services who will arrange for a social worker to look at your care needs and financial situation and decide if you qualify for support.

As part of the arrangement with the Local Authority, you will be required to contribute an amount towards your care from your own resources, including Pension Credit. This is an arrangement between you and the local authority and not the care home. If you are eligible for funding from your Local Authority, please speak to the Business Manager.

If Local Authority funding is agreed, we will talk to you about top-ups. As Local Authority funding does not cover the full cost of your care we will talk with you about whether a third party, for example relatives, can contribute towards the cost of your care. These contributions are called top-ups. You can find additional information about funding at the Citizens Advice and Age UK.

Continuing Healthcare (CHC) funding

We may be able to accept NHS CHC funding for people with severe or complex needs, subject to agreeing our fees with the relevant Integrated Care Boards (ICB). Please speak to the Registered Care Manager if you think this might apply to you.

Nursing Care funding

If you have been assessed by the Integrated Care Board (ICB) as needing nursing care, please speak to the Business Manager to ask them to explain how your fees take account of NHS Funded Nursing Care (NHS-FNC) payments.

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