## **Easy Read**

## Fact sheet 8: How will I receive my Personal Budget payments?





Personal Budgets will give you choice, control and independence. Your Care Manager will agree the amount of money that is going into your budget. It is up to you to decide how this money will be paid to you.



There are lots of options to choose from. Take time to read through the options and discuss them with your family, friends or Care Manager. It is up to you to choose the best option for you.



## **Direct Payments**

You can choose to receive all or part of your Personal Budget as a Direct Payment. A Direct Payment can be made to one or more of the following:-



✓ to you – payments are made directly to you so
you can manage the budget yourself. You will
need a seperate bank account or an easier way
is to use the Council's Cash Plus card system.



to a Trust – which is set up to act for you. A Trust would usually be a small group of reliable people that you can choose to act for you.



✓ a Broker - that you have asked to control the money for you



✓ **Payment to a Service Provider** - this is called an Individual Service Fund. This means that a service provider will manage your money to provide a service just for you.

The Service Provider that you choose will keep your money and set up an account for you. You will have to pay a management fee for this option.



✓ **Care Managed Fund** - your Care Manager can organise support for you in the way they have always done. This means that nothing will change. This means that things will be managed the same way as they have been in the past.



Your Support Plan should give details about how you intend to manage your support and receive your budget.



For further information please look at the other Fact sheets in this series and our website: www.york.gov.uk