

# 65+ Care Home Cost of Care Tool: Guidance for Care Providers

We are pleased to announce the launch of the CareCubed Fair Cost of Care tool for 65+ Care Homes.

This free online tool was commissioned by CHIP (Care and Health Improvement Programme) (delivered by ADASS and the LGA (LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION)) for use by Care Home Providers and Local Authorities in England to input, share and collate data for the DHSC (Department of Health and Social Care) Cost of Care Exercise for 65+ Care Homes.

The tool builds on the already established and widely used CareCubed platform – which is used by over one third of councils and more than 50 providers across children and young people, working age adults and older people. If you would like to find out more about CareCubed please contact CareCubed@iese.org.uk.

This user guide is written from a Care Provider perspective and will walk you through the available functionality within the solution, from user registration to data submission and through to handling queries.



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# 1 - Getting Started: How to Register for the CareCubed Fair Cost of Care tool

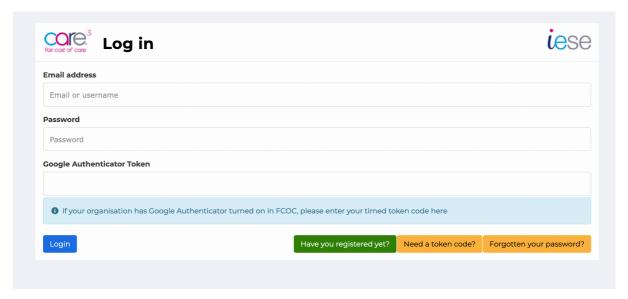
Getting started on the CareCubed FCOC tool is simple. Follow the steps below to register for an account.

# 1.1 - Step 1: Identify your primary user

As outlined in previous communications, you will need to identify a primary user to act as an administrator for your organisation. This person can add any additional users, including additional primary users, sub-users, and users with read-only access.

# 1.2 - Step 2: Navigate to <a href="https://fcoc.carecubed.org/">https://fcoc.carecubed.org/</a>

Your primary user should head over to <a href="https://fcoc.carecubed.org/">https://fcoc.carecubed.org/</a> where you will see the log-in screen:



To register for the CareCubed FCOC tool – hit the green button above: 'Have you registered yet?'.

## 1.3 - Step 3: Complete your registration details

Once you have selected 'Have you registered yet?', you will be redirected to the following screen where you will see a radio button asking you to select what type of organisation you are:

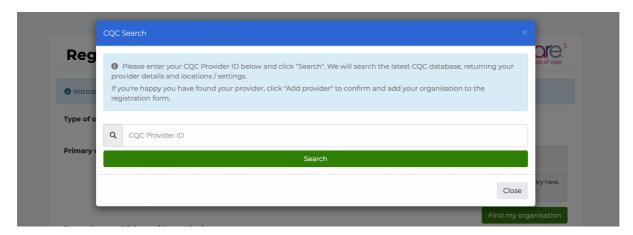


# **Register for the CareCubed FCOC**



1 Welcome to the CareCubed Fair Cost of Care tool for 65+ Care Homes. The tool was commissioned by CHIP (delivered by ADASS and the LGA) for use by Care Home Providers and Local Authorities in England to input, share and collate data for the DHSC 65+ Care Homes Cost of Care Exercise. Please complete the registration form below to get started. Type of organisation Provider O Local Authority **Primary organisation CQC** number 1 If you are a larger organisation with multiple CQC provider number, please use your main CQC entry here. You will be able to change the name of your legal entity within FCOC. Find my organisation Do you have multiple No provider numbers in the O Yes CQC?

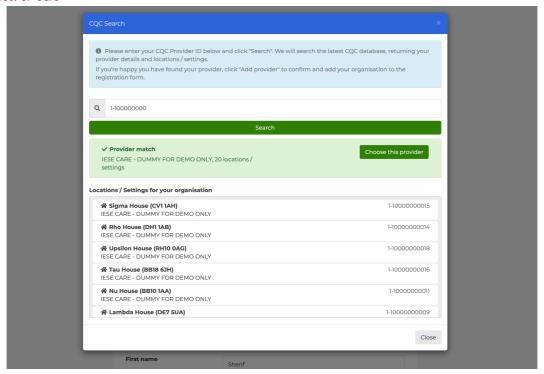
Please select Provider as shown above and then enter your CQC provider registration ID into the search bar as shown below:



If you are a larger organisation with multiple CQC provider numbers, **please use your main CQC provider ID here**. You will be able to group together your various CQC Provider entities and associated Care Homes into a single account and change the name of your legal entity within FCOC later.

Once you have entered your CQC Provider ID – please hit search:

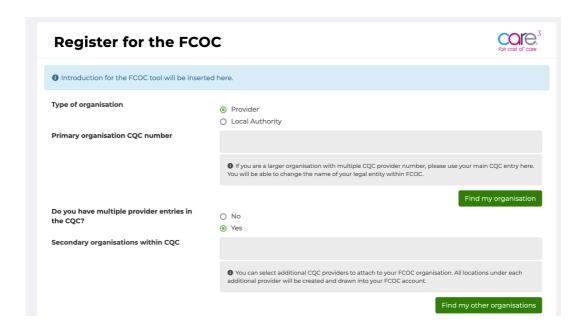




If the search is successful, you will now see a green bar indicating a Provider match and will be shown a list of all the associated settings grouped under the CQC registration ID you provided.

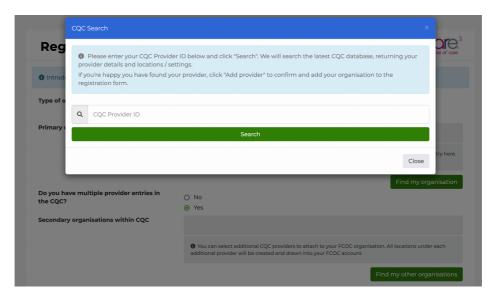
Please select 'Choose this provider' to confirm and add your organisation into the registration form.

As previously mentioned, you may want to add multiple legal entities or provider registrations into the same account, you are able to do so by selecting 'Yes' – I have multiple Provider entities in the CQC, and identifying these secondary organisations (see below):

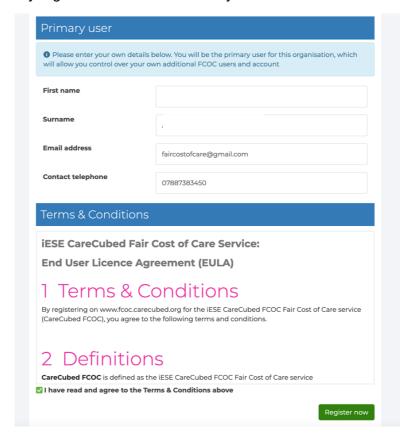




To find your other organisations – hit the green button 'Find my other organisations' and input your additional CQC provider IDs and hit search:



You can bring together as many different legal entities as you would like into the same CareCubed FCOC account. As mentioned previously, you will be able to change the group name within the 'My organisation' section of the system.

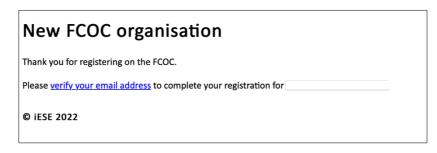




Once you have provided your details, please review the Terms and Conditions before hitting 'Register Now'.

# 1.4 - Step 4: Verify your email address

Once you have completed the registration form, you will receive an email asking you to 'verify your email address' as shown below:



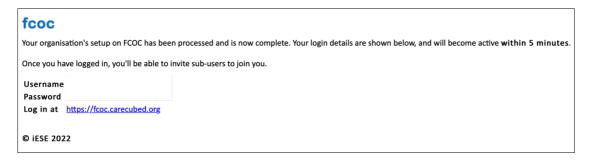
Once you have received the message, please click 'verify your email address'.

IMPORTANT: Please ensure you check your junk mail if this message is not received within 5 minutes of registering.

# 1.5 - Step 5: Receiving your Log-in Details

Once you have verified your email address, you will receive a separate email providing you with a log-in password and hyperlink to access the online tool. You will see the following message:

Your organisation's setup on CareCubed FCOC has been processed and is now complete. Your login details are shown below and will become active **within 5 minutes**.

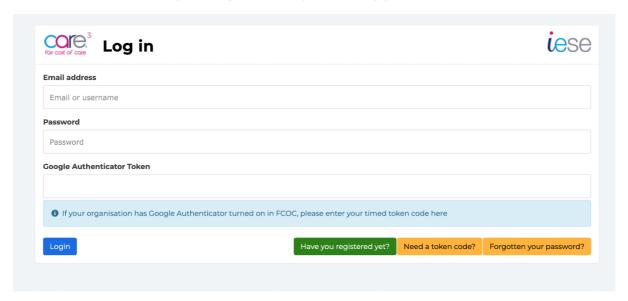


Once you have logged in, you'll be able to invite new primary and sub-users to join you.

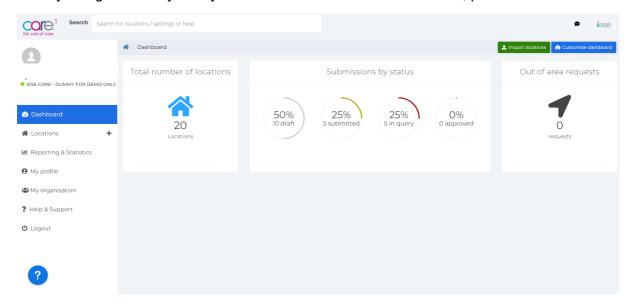
# 1.6 - Step 6: Log in at https://fcoc.carecubed.org



Once you have received your user credentials, please head over to <a href="https://fcoc.carecubed.org">https://fcoc.carecubed.org</a> and log in to the system using your email and password:



Once you log into the system you will be redirected to the dashboard, please see below:



Your dashboard provides an overview of some important metrics. This includes the total number of your locations and a breakdown of the status of your submissions and the number of out of area requests you have received.

From Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May, you will have access to the direct data entry function within the tool for care home data submission, calculations and data sharing with Local Authorities including responding to queries and making necessary edits.

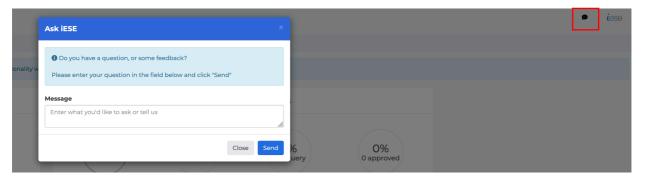
To support you with this new functionality, we have a series of walk throughs accessible via the blue question mark visible in the bottom left hand corner of the screen (see image above).



IMPORTANT: Full functionality, including multiple location template download and bulk data upload will become available towards the end of the week commencing 23/05/2022.

# 2. Fair Cost of Care Support

If you have any issues or support queries, please contact the Fair Cost of Care support team by clicking on the speech bubble icon at the top of the screen and entering the details of the issue or query:

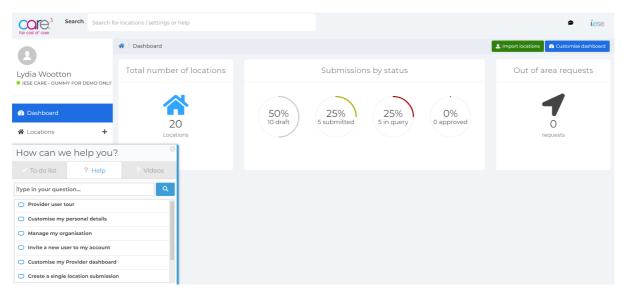


Alternatively, you can email us at <a href="mailto:carecubed@iese.org.uk">carecubed@iese.org.uk</a>.

# 2.1 Online Support

There is online support available within the application to guide you through key processes. If you need extra assistance or are unsure how to navigate through the CareCubed Fair Cost of Care tool, click the blue question mark in the bottom left corner of the screen:

This will open a help menu which contains several walk-through tutorials, instructional videos, and resources:

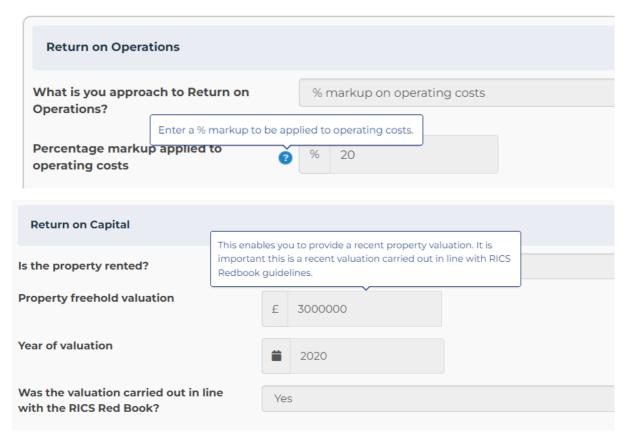




From here you can access:

- User Guide
- Instructional videos
- Guided tutorials

Throughout the tool there are tool tips which provide brief informative messages such as definitions of terms that appear when a user hovers over the icon or clicks into a field:



Please note – You may have difficulty viewing the in-app guidance and tooltips if using Safari as your browser. If you experience any difficulty, please use an alternative browser such as Chrome or Edge.

# 3. My Organisation

The 'My organisation' section of the tool is available from the left-hand menu. From here you will be able to access user management and security settings:





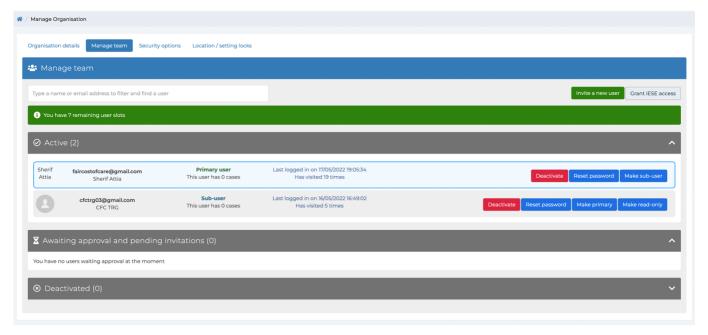
# 3.1 What is a primary user?

Within the CareCubed Fair Cost of Care tool there are three user types: **primary users**, **sub-users** and **read-only users**. Sub-users are the "ordinary" users who work with locations and reports. Read-only users can view Location but not make edits or create their own.

**Primary users** have additional administrative capabilities for managing their users and certain organisation-wide settings. We recommend that each organisation has 2 or 3 primary users to provide contingency

# 3.2 Manage team

The first tab within the My Organisation section is for managing your team and setting access privileges:

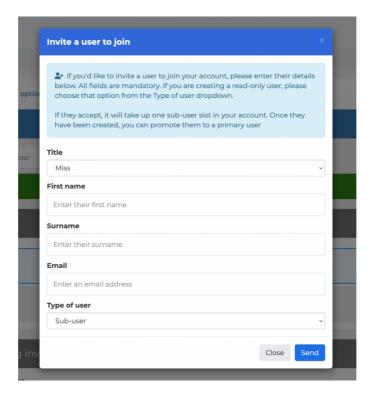




Your user lists are divided into active users, those awaiting approval, and those who have been deactivated. You can expand or collapse each list with the arrow at the right-hand side of the screen.

# 3.3 Inviting a new user

A Primary User can invite users to join CareCubed Fair Cost of Care tool via the "Invite a new user" button in the top right of the Manage Team tab. This process is managed solely by the organisation. To invite a new user, enter the user's details in the short form shown below:



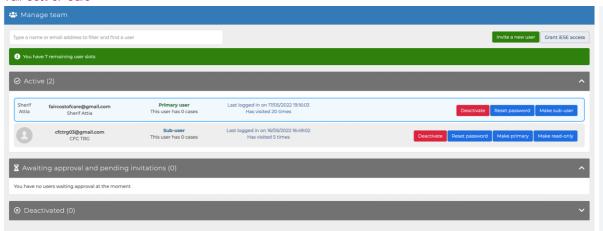
This new user will then receive an email with login details. Upon clicking the link within the email, the new user will be sent a password to access the system.

IMPORTANT – Please ask colleagues to check junk/spam folders if they do not receive the email within 5mins of the invite being sent.

## 3.4 Updating user roles

It is possible to have up to 3 Primary Users per organisation. This helps avoid issues where a primary user is temporarily unavailable. To convert a sub-user to a Primary User, simply choose the "Make primary" option next to their name in the "Manage team" section. Primary Users are indicated in blue with a blue outline in the list:





To convert a Primary User back into a sub-user, choose the "make sub-user" option next to their name. Please note that, the system will not allow you to deactivate the last Primary User or make a 'sub-user'. To convert a sub-user to a read-only user, click "Make read-only" next to the user's name in your case list.



A message will pop up asking you to confirm this action. Once confirmed, the user list will change, and the read-only user will show "Read only" as their user type. A primary user can reverse this at any time by clicking "Release read-only", at which point the user will return to a standard sub-user.

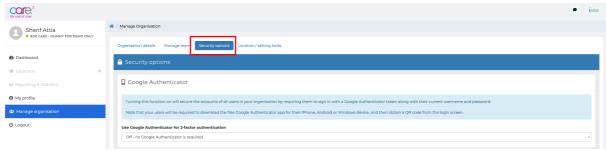
## 3.5 Deactivating a user

Users can be deactivated by clicking the "Deactivate" button next to their name in the user list. It is important that any users leaving your organisation are deactivated so that they can no longer access the tool.

# 3.6 Security Options

Within the Security options tab, a primary user can set the security rules for the organisation's account including password settings and turning on 2-Factor-Authentication:



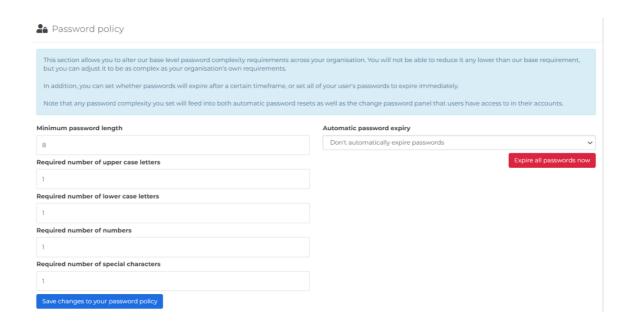


# 3.7 Setting Password Policy

There is a base level password complexity set by the tool, however if you wish to add to this, scroll down to "Password Policy" within the Security options tab.

The following inputs can be amended:

- Minimum password length
- Required number of upper-case letters
- Required number of lower-case letters
- Required number of numbers
- Required number of special characters



Hitting save changes will update this policy for your whole organisation and prompt users to create a new password the next time they log in.

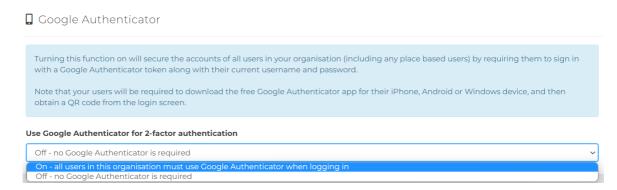
From here you can also set automatic password expiry dates which will prompt users within your account to periodically change their password after a set number of months. These can be set at 3, 6 or 12 months.



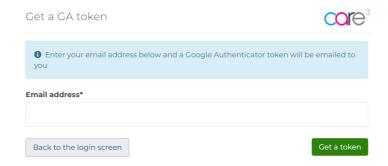
# 3.8 Multi-Factor-Authentication - Google Authenticator

Multi-Factor-Authentication adds an extra layer of security to your organisation's account by requiring all users to provide an extra proof of identity.

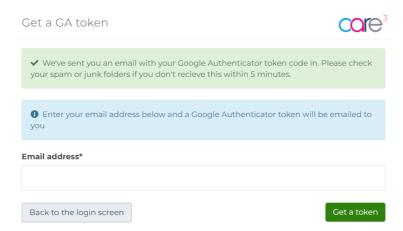
To turn this function on, switch the dropdown to "On - all users in this organisation must use Google Authenticator when logging in":



When logging in with 2-Factor-Authentication turned on, you will need to get a Google Authenticator QR code token. To do so, click "Need a token code?":



Enter your account's email address and click "Get a token". You will then see a confirmation screen:





You will then receive an email containing a QR code:



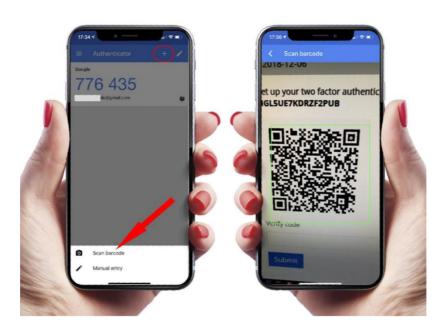


As your organisation has opted to use Google Authenticator 2-factor authorisation in CareCubed, you should:

- Download the free Google Authenticator app for your iOS, android or Windows device from your appropriate app store Scan this code into the app

  Open the app whenever you log in, and use the generated sequence of 6 digits to authenticate

Next Download Google Authenticator from the app store and press the "+" icon in the bottom right:



Touch "scan a QR code" then point your device at the screen and scan it. You'll now have the token code for your account. Return to the login page and enter the username, password and your Google Authenticator token before the timer runs out. The token will appear within you Google Authenticator application.

All users can access their QR code for google Authenticator within the "My Profile" section when 2 factor authentication is switched on.

Turning Google Authenticator on is for everyone within your organisation's account.

## 3.9 Location / setting locks



Location locks are applied whenever a user is working on a location and inputting data. This ensures the active user can enter data and prevents any other users from accessing the location.

To support users within the system, we have included within the 'My Organisation' area functionality to release any locations currently being locked to enable a primary user to overwrite any locks applied by a user within the system:

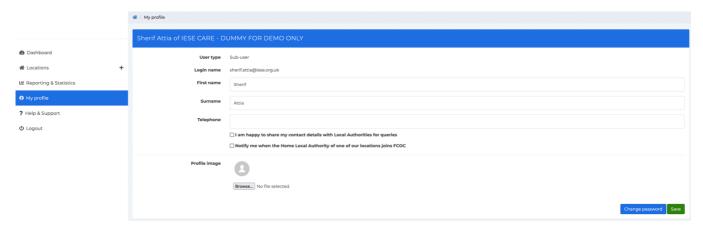


To clear all locks, simply hit the red button shown above.

# 4. My Profile

The My Profile section of the tool enables you to update key personal information, change your password and sign up for notifications.

From this section you can set your personal details including first name, surname, and telephone number. You can also use this section to upload a profile image:



#### 4.1 Notifications

From the My Profile section of the tool, you can switch on and off notifications. These include:

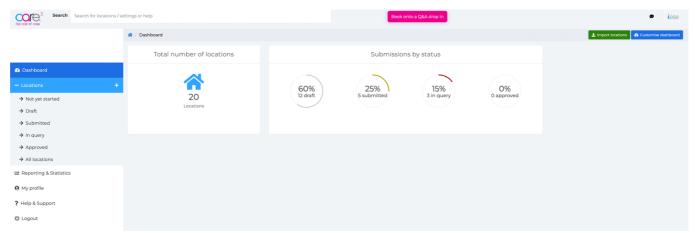
- I am happy to share contact details with Local Authorities for queries:

  Turning this on will make your contact details available to local authorities who you share data with to enable them to contact you for queries.
- Notify me when the Host Local Authority of one of our locations joins FCOC: Turning this on will ensure you receive notifications when the Host Local Authority where one of your homes is located signs up for the tool.



# 5. My Locations

To access your care home locations to submit data or to download the workbook template for completion, please navigate to <u>'Locations'</u> via the menu on left of your screen:



Your 'Locations' are grouped by submission status in the left-hand menu as shown above. These are as follows:

- Not yet started For locations you have not started a return for.
- **Draft** For locations which you have begun entering data for, but not yet submitted.
- **Submitted** For locations that you have already submitted to the Local Authority.
- **In query** For locations that have currently been queried by the Local Authority and might require further information for the provider before resubmission.
- Approved For locations that data has been submitted for and approved by the Local Authority.
- All locations A list of all your locations irrespective of status.

In all views, locations will show whether the Home Local Authority is registered on FCOC and what the final submission date is for information. This is locally set by councils ahead of the 14<sup>th</sup> October DHSC deadline for provisional Market Sustainability Plans. We recommend contacting Local Authorities not registered to let them know you are submitting data using FCOC and encourage them to do the same to provide a consistent, streamlined approach

# **5.1 Entering Care Home Data**

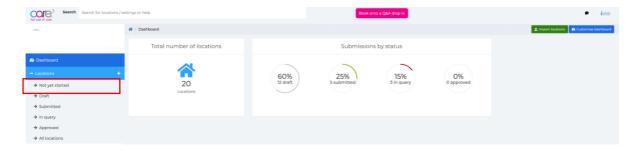
In completing the tool, you should be guided by the following key principles:

- Focus on accuracy in a way that reflects operating circumstances
- Be sure not to double count, this is a cost collection and not a task exercise, providers should focus on the costs incurred and not the tasks performed as staff costs will be covered in full by this exercise.

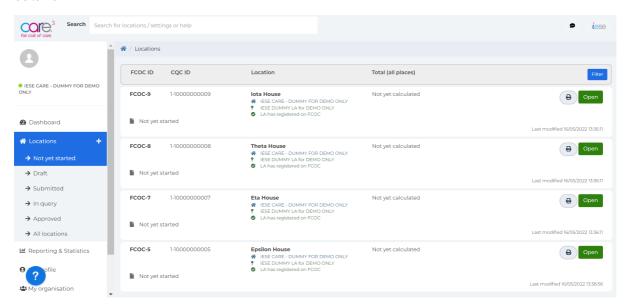
If revenue is recovered from a resident or staff member for any of the costs data provided, the provider should quote the net figure after the revenue recovered has been deducted from the gross amount.



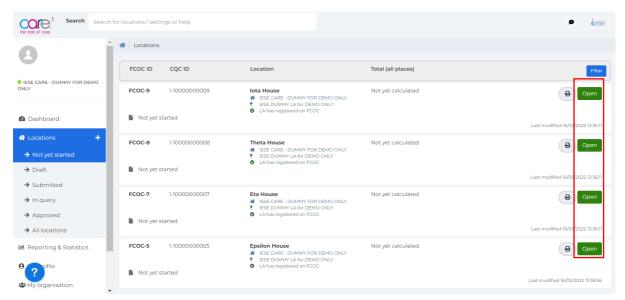
To provide data for a single Care Home please navigate to the 'not yet started' folder accessible via the left-hand menu:



Within this folder – you will see a list of all your registered locations you are yet to provide data for:

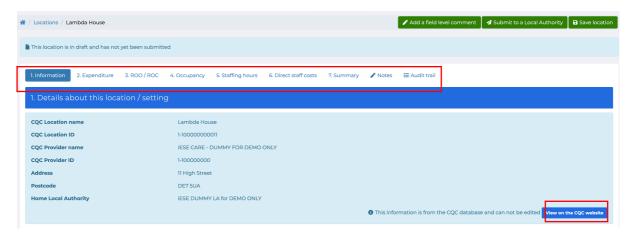


As you can see from the image above, each of your homes have a unique FCOC ID – and the home location is listed along with the Host Local Authority. To start providing data for a Care Home, please select open:





Once you have opened a location, you will see the data entry screen as shown below and the main tabs running along the top of the screen. You will now be able to begin entering cost data for the location:

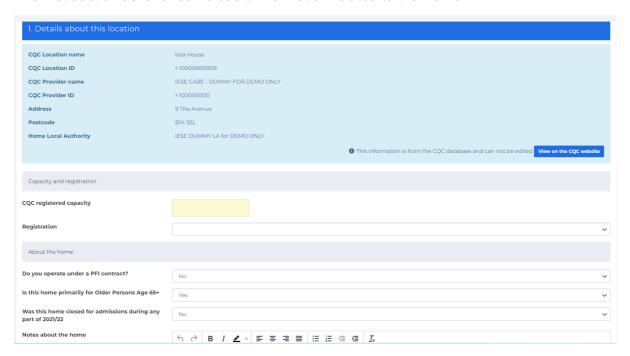


As you can see above, key information about the location is pulled through from the CQC database to support data collection and collation. Additionally, there is also an option to view this setting on the CQC website.

The data collection part of the tool is split into key areas corresponding to the headers running across the top of the page which we will run through in turn below.

# **5.2 Home Information**

The first section asks for some basic information related to the Home:



This asks you for the following information:

- CQC registered capacity
- Does this home operate under a PFI contract?
- Was this home closed for any part of 2021/22?



- If so, for how many days was it closed?
- Notes about the home

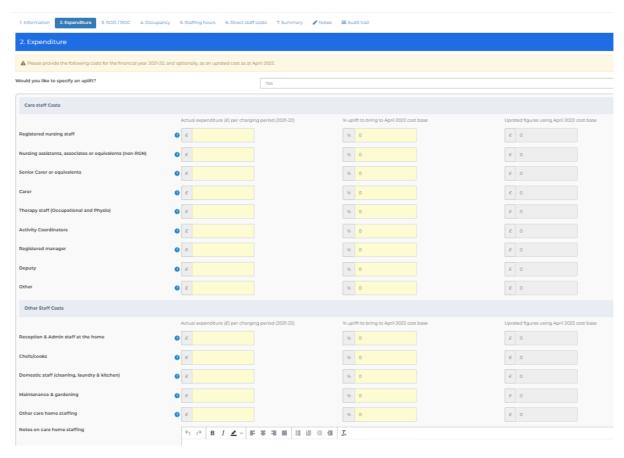
\*For detailed guidance on each of the data items included as part of the collection please refer to the Data Items guidance document available from within the Help & Support section of the tool

# 5.3 Expenditure

The next section asks you to provide cost data on the Care Home Expenditure for 2021-22. This includes Care Staff Costs, Care Home Supplies & Services Costs, Care Home Premises Costs, Head Office/Central Costs.

The reference period for expenditure data collection is 1st April 2021 – 31st March 2022.

Importantly, within this section you have the option to uprate costs in line with inflationary % increases or decreases as of April 2022. This enables you to provide known inflationary uprates based upon costs as of April 2022, see below the two columns, one for actual expenditure and the second for a % uprate as of April 2022:



As seen above, you will be asked to provide actual expenditure for the period 2021-22. You will be asked to provide cost data for the following areas:

Care Staff Costs

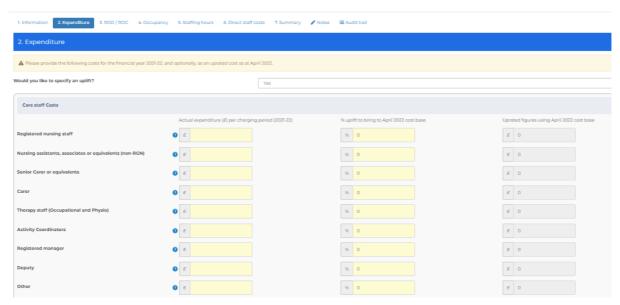


- Other Staff Costs
- Care Home Supplies & Services
- Care Home Premises Costs
- Head Office related Costs

You will find tooltip icons next to these fields, which upon hovering over, will display extra guidance on what to include in these fields.

#### 5.31 Care Staff Costs

In the first part of this section you will be asked to provide Care Staff Costs  $(\mathfrak{L})$  for the reference period including staff on-costs & agency staff costs:



\*For detailed guidance on each of the items listed, please refer to the data items guidance sheet.

#### 5.32 Other Staff Costs

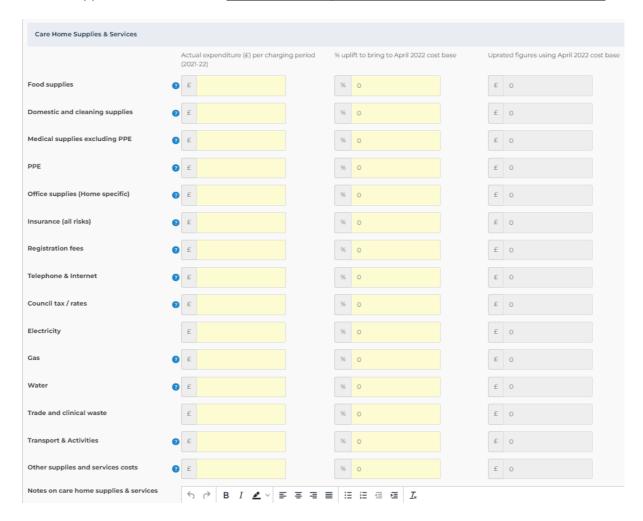
Next, you will be asked to provide Other Staff Costs (£) for the reference period **including staff on-costs & agency staff costs**:





# 5.33 Care Home Supplies & Services

The next section asks for information related to Care Home Supplies & Services  $(\mathfrak{L})$  and is requesting the total expenditure for the reference period. This is total expenditure on Care Home Supplies and Services – <u>INCLUDING any outsourced supplies & services costs</u>:

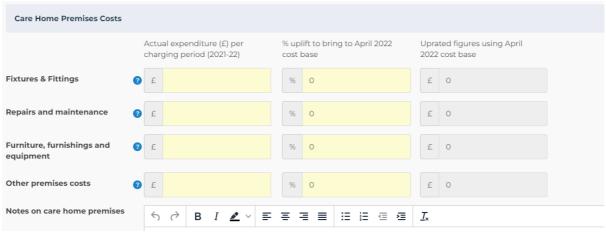


As before, you will be asked to provide actual expenditure for 2021-22 in the left-hand column, and a % uprate to account for known inflationary costs as of April 2022.

#### 5.34 Care Home Premises Costs

The next section asks for cost data related to Care Home premises costs. Use this section to record expenditure on care home premises excluding rent, mortgage, and buildings depreciation. Premises insurance should be included in the Supplies and Services section. Do not include depreciation, rent, and mortgage costs, these are captured separately:



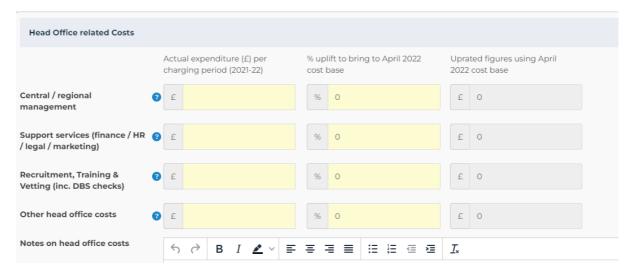


\*For detailed guidance on each of the items listed, please refer to the data items guidance sheet.

As before, you will be asked to provide actual expenditure for 2021-22 in the left-hand column, and a % uprate to account for known inflationary costs as of April 2022.

#### 5.35 Head Office/Central Costs

This next section is asking for Head Office/Central Costs expenditure for the year 2021-22. Use this section to record expenditure on head office costs including central/ regional management, support services and recruitment. Please ensure you include any outsourced costs here. If you are a smaller organisation, these costs may be included as part of home management staffing expenditure:

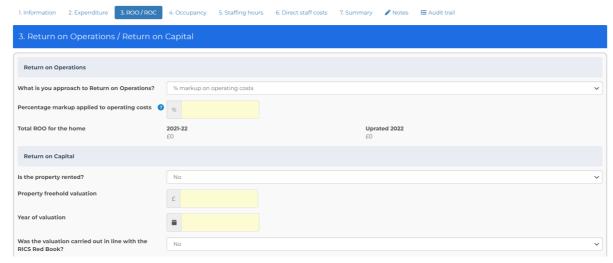


As before, you will be asked to provide actual expenditure for 2021-22 in the left-hand column, and a % uprate to account for known inflationary costs as of April 2022.

# 5.4 Return on Operations and Return on Capital (ROO/ROC)

The next section asks you to provide your approach to Return on Operations and Return on Capital:





# 5.41 Return On Operations (ROO)

This section allows you to state your approach to ROO, choosing either a % mark-up on operating costs, or a total amount for the home:



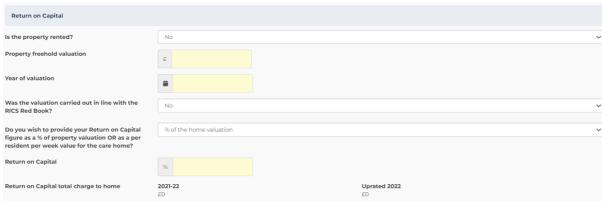
# 5.42 Return On Capital (ROC)

In this section you will be asked to whether you would like to provide a % of the home valuation or a per resident per week  $(\mathfrak{L})$  for the Care Home.

If Providers completing returns for rented properties wish to provide a Return on Capital (ROC). This can be provided in the Per resident per week ROCE value which will be a lower amount given the property is rented and will reflect the ROC for their investment in the services excluding the property valuation element. If you wish to provide a % of the home valuation, you will enter details on the following:

- Property freehold valuation
- Year of valuation
- Was the valuation carried out in line with the RICS Red Book?
   <a href="https://www.rics.org/uk/upholding-professional-standards/sector-standards/valuation/red-book/">https://www.rics.org/uk/upholding-professional-standards/sector-standards/valuation/red-book/</a>





#### 5.43 Specific property details

This section asks non-mandatory context specific questions about the home to help illustrate some of the specific environmental factors that impact the level of capital invested and cost of delivering care in this location:



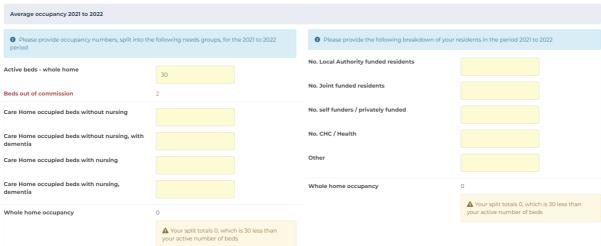
# 5.6 Occupancy

This section asks you to provide average occupancy rates for 2021-22 – the reference period of cost data collection. It will also ask you to provide a breakdown of residents by funding source, as well as current occupancy levels as of April 2022.

## 5.61 Home Occupancy 2021-22 averages

This asks you to please provide the average operational bed capacity and occupancy for the home overall for 2021/22, for each of the care types listed:



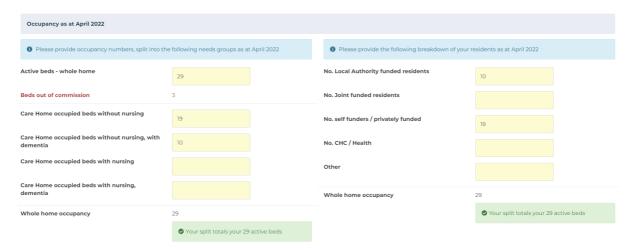


As seen above, you are asked to provide occupancy numbers, split into the following needs groups for the 2021 to 2022. You are also asked to provide a breakdown of resident occupancy by funding source. E.g., how many of the residents are either LA funded, CHC funded or self-funders. Please provide your best estimates for these figures if you do not have the exact figures to hand.

As seen above, you will receive an error warning if the numbers you have entered do not total the number of active beds you have entered.

# 5.62 Home Occupancy as of April 2022

Next, you are asked to provide occupancy as of April 2022. This is to support Local Authorities uprating costs based upon current occupancy to mitigate for potentially low occupancy within Care Homes for the year 2021-22:

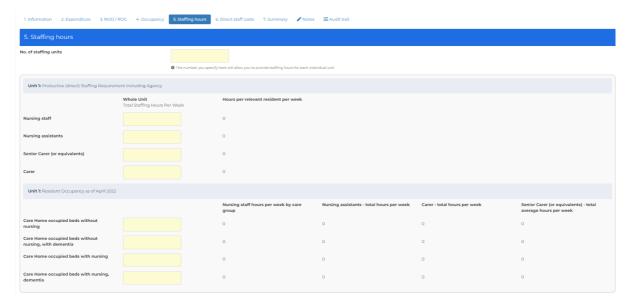


## 5.7 Staffing Hours (Unit Occupancy April 2022)

This next section asks you to breakdown staffing hours and resident occupancy for each of the units within the Care Home using current data for April 2022. The purpose of this is to help identify different hours for residents with different support needs.



You can provide this as a single staffing unit for the entire home or as multiple by adding staffing units



As shown above, this section asks you to provide the number of staffing units you wish to provide data for and a breakdown direct staffing hours required to support the residents in the home or staffing unit. This is the total staff hours per week by staff type for the unit and includes employed, agency and bank staff hours combined. Repeat this for each Unit you wish to specify data for.

This section then asks you to provide April 2022 occupancy for each of the care types listed – without nursing/dementia, with nursing/dementia. Repeat this for each staffing unit you wish to specify for the care home.

For detailed guidance on each of the items listed, please refer to the data items guidance sheet.

# **5.8 Staff Costs**

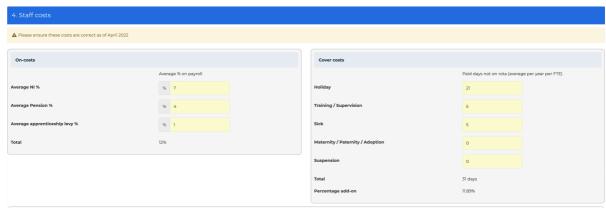
This next section will ask for direct staff costs at April 2022 rates including bank staff (employed and agency). <a href="MIMPORTANT - please provide current staff pay rates as of April 2022">MPORTANT - please provide current staff pay rates as of April 2022</a>. This will help Local Authorities provide uprated staffing costs in line with the guidance set-out by DHSC.

You will be asked to provide data related to staff on-costs, cover costs, rates of pay and average weekly agency hours. We will walk through these each in turn below.

#### 5.81 On-Costs

The first section asks for data related to staff on-costs. This includes Employers NI, Average Pension contribution and the apprenticeship levy. You will then be asked to provide data for cover costs as days e.g., Holiday, Training, Sickness etc. Please see an example below:

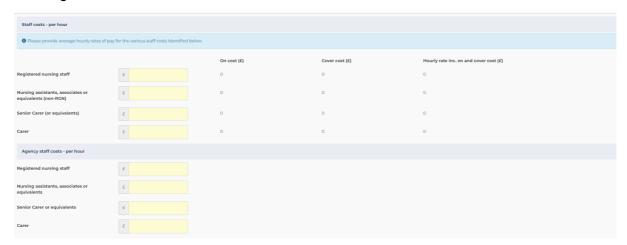




Data entered here will be calculated as a percentage staff on-cost, as shown above.

#### 5.82 Staff Costs

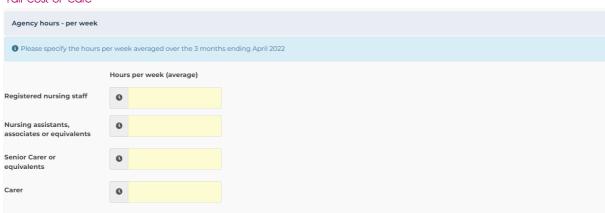
The next set of fields asks for staff rates of pay. You will be asked to provide Employed staff costs - average hourly pay rate excluding on-costs including bank staff, and Agency staff costs – average hourly pay rates. Importantly, please exclude on-costs – this is the basic rate of pay WITHOUT on-costs. Please <u>use hourly rates of pay as of April 2022</u> to support DHSC guidelines:



#### 5.83 Agency Staff Hours

The next section asks for data related to average agency staff hours over the last quarter. This is your average weekly agency staff input over the last quarter. We are asking for an average over the last quarter to provide a more accurate reflection of your ongoing agency costs. This information will enable a more accurate representation of direct staffing costs per resident per week by offering a current view of agency staffing requirements:



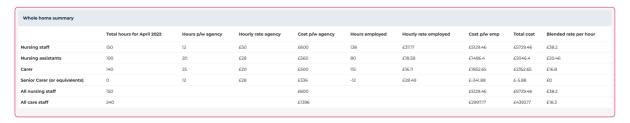


As shown above, you will be asked to specify hours per week over the last quarter for each of the staff types listed.

#### 5.84 Whole home summary

Once you have completed this section, you will see a whole home summary table at the bottom of the page, providing you with an overview of:

- total average hours by staff type for 2021-22
- · average hour per week of agency staff
- hourly rates for both employed and agency staff
- the cost per week for both employed and agency
- the combine cost of agency and direct staffing
- a blended rate per hour for each staff type



## 5.9 Summary

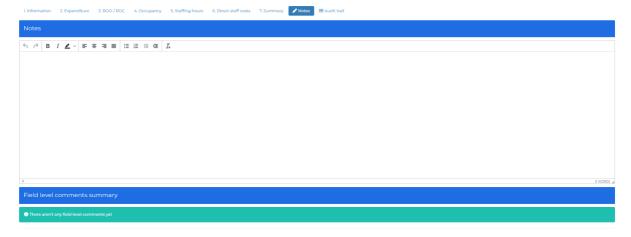
Finally, the next section provides an overview of the data you have entered about the care home. This breaks down costs into a per resident per week value, for each of the 4 care categories identified:



Cost	Care Home occupied beds without nursing	Care Home occupied beds without nursing with dementia	Care Home occupied beds with nursing	Care Home occupied beds with nursing, dementia
Care home staffing				
Nursing staff	0	0	0	0
Care staff	0	0	0	0
Therapy Staff (Occupational & Physio)	0	0	0	0
Activity Coordinators	0	0	0	0
Service Management (Registered Manager / Deputy)	0	0	0	0
Reception & Admin staff at the home	0	0	0	0
Chefs / Cooks	0	0	0	0
Domestic staff (cleaning, laundry & kitchen)	0	0	0	0
Maintenance & Gardening	0	0	0	0
Other care home staffing	0	0	0	0
Section total	£0	£0	£0	£0
Care home premises				
Fixtures & Fittings)	0	0	0	0
Repairs & Maintenance	0	0	0	0
Furniture, furnishings and equipment	0	0	0	0
Other care home premises costs	0	0	0	0
Section total	£0	£0	£0	£0
Care home supplies and services				
Food supplies	0	0	0	0
Domestic and cleaning supplies	0	0	0	0
Medical supplies excluding PPE	0	0	0	0
PPE	0	0	0	0
Office supplies (Home specific)	0	0	0	0
Insurance (all risks)	0	0	0	0
Registration fees	0	0	0	0
Telephone & Internet	0	0	0	0

## **5.10 Notes**

The notes section allows you to provide a commentary or additional context about the care home:

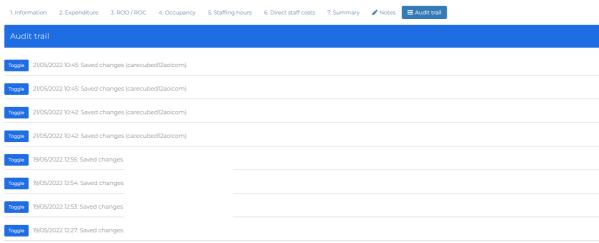


This is an optional tab and is designed to help you communicate any specific context with the Local Authority.

# 5.11 Audit Trail

The audit section provides a full and complete audit trail of all activity related to that location:

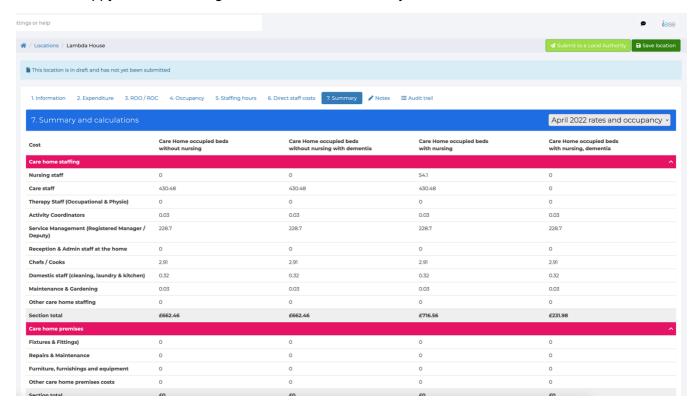




This should help keep clear oversight of case activity, what changes were made and who made them.

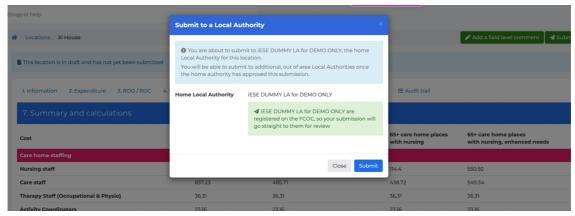
# 6. Submitting a Location to a Local Authority

Once you are happy with your data entry, you are ready to submit your return to a Local Authority. Please review the home breakdown in the summary calculation tab to ensure you are happy before selecting 'Submit to a Local Authority':



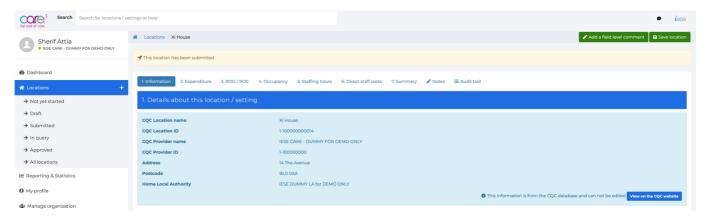
Selecting, submit to a local authority will bring up the following dialogue box:





By default, this data will be shared directly with the host Local Authority for this location. Selecting submit will share this with the identified Local Authority and notify the Council users via email that a location has been shared with them and is ready for review.

Please note, you will be able to submit to additional out of area Local Authorities once the home authority has approved this submission. This is to prevent multiple queries on a single data set from various authorities and to ensure data shared is consistent.



As you can see from the yellow bar – this location has now been submitted. The status on this home will change and it will appear in the submitted folder.

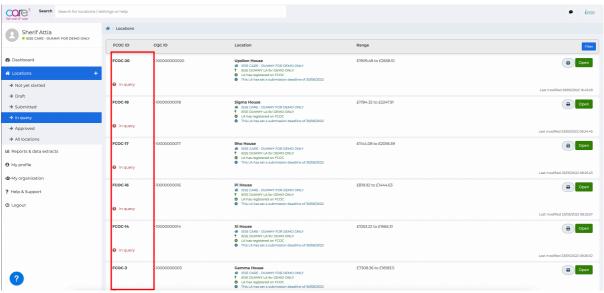
# 7. Location in Query

When a location is <u>'in query'</u> this means the Local Authority has raised some questions in relation to the information you have provided. This may be a point of clarification or a potential error or mistake in the data set.

When a Local Authority puts one of your locations into query you will receive the following notification via email:

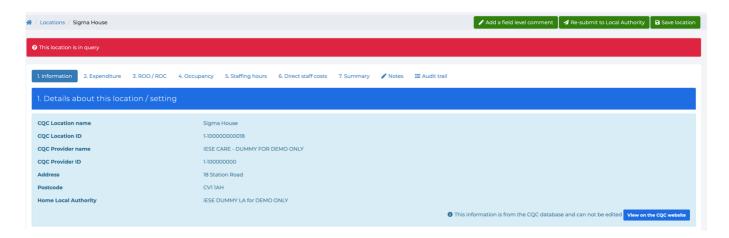






This informs you that a Local Authority has placed one of your locations into query for you to review any comments or query's before re-submitting the data to the Local Authority; click the hyperlink in the email to navigate directly to this location. To navigate to your in-query locations, please select the <u>'in query'</u> option from the menu on the left-hand side under Locations:

When you open an 'in-query' case, there will be a large red banner across the top of the screen indicating that a case is in query:

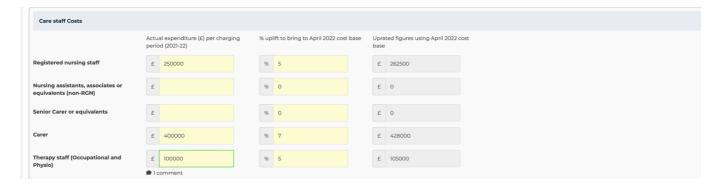


To navigate to the comments provided by the authority, head over to the comment's summary where all comments will be listed:

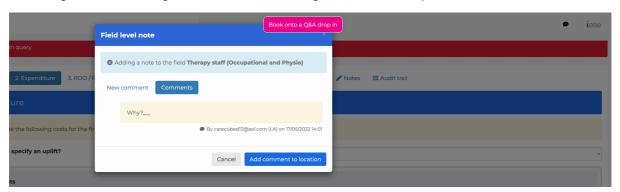




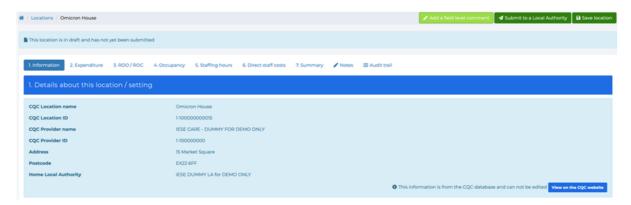
# Comments will appear on fields as follows:



Hovering over or clicking the comment will bring the comment up onto the screen as follows:

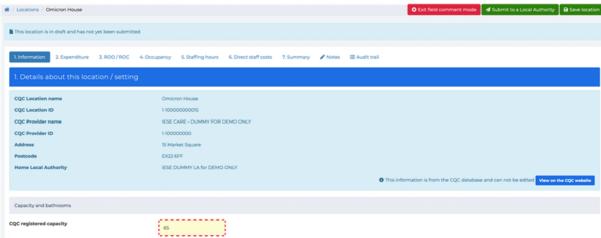


To add field level comments to a location in query, click 'Add a field level comment':

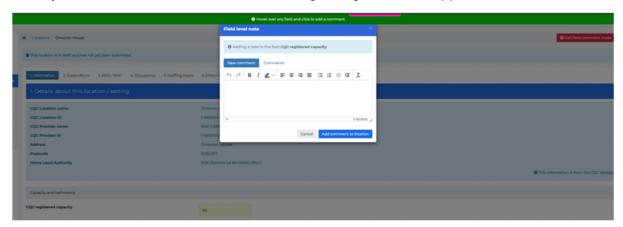


Once selected, you will be able to hover over any field and leave a comment. The field will be circled with a red dotted line (see below):

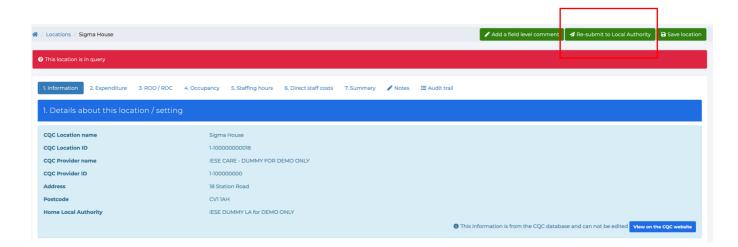




Once you click on the desire field, the following dialogue box will appear:



Once you are happy with the comments received and added, please re-submit this entry to the local authority. This works in the same way as when your originally submitted the entry, selecting the 're-submit to Local Authority' button in the top right-hand corner of the screen:

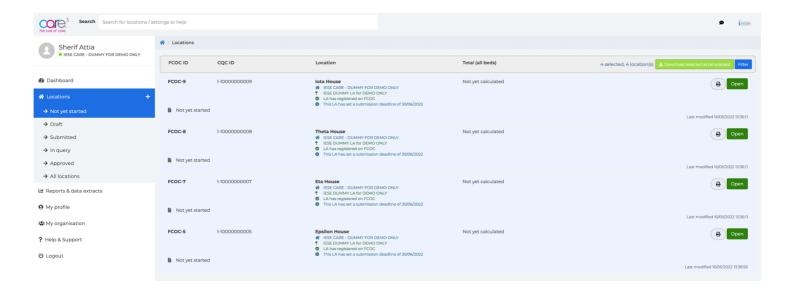




# 8. Downloading the excel workbook – Functionality available soon

## 8.1 Download your locations into an FCOC-generated workbook

You can generate templates for one or more locations by opening any 'Locations' view from the left-hand menu, then clicking one or more location to select it:



Clicking on any part of the location bar above will shade this blue, indicating it is selected:



If you choose one location the Excel template will contain just that location. If you select multiple locations and click to download, the Excel document will contain multiple columns for each location.



Once you have selected each location you wish to include in the workbook, please select 'Download selected as template(s):



This will automatically begin to download the file which will be available in your recent downloads folder.

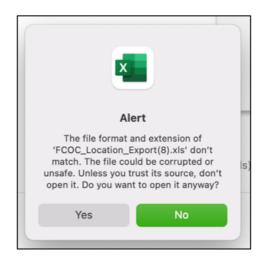
## 8.11 Select all location option for FCOC workbook

Alternatively, you can download all locations into a single file. This is available via the dashboard view and will download all locations regardless of status into a single file ready to be imported to the system:



## 8.2 Opening the Workbook

When you try and open the workbook for the first time, you will see the following alert message:



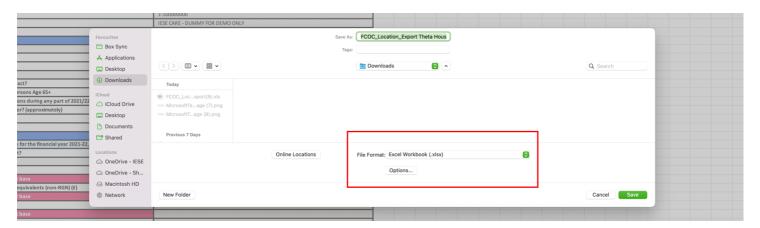
<u>Please trust this file and select 'Yes'</u> – I do want to open the file. Where possible save as a XLS or and XLSX file.



#### 8.3 Saving the workbook

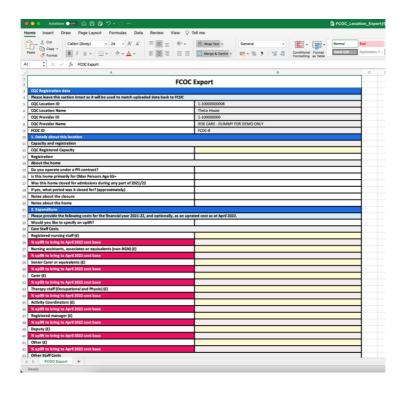
It is vitally important that the file is saved as the correct file type to enable the importer to work correctly. This means the file <u>must be saved as either an XLS or an XLSX file</u> <u>before uploading.</u>

Once downloaded, <u>PLEASE SAVE THIS AS EITHER AN XLS or XLSX File</u>. This is crucial to enable you to upload this file to the site:



## 8.4 Completing the workbook

Once downloaded you are free to begin populating the workbook. You may wish to use a v-lookup or index match to pull in the data from other sources:





#### IMPORTANT - PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE OR ADD ROWS TO THE DATA TEMPLATE.

This will not be accepted by the importer and will prevent you from being able to upload the file to the site.

If you do not wish to provide certain pieces of information, then please leave these blank.

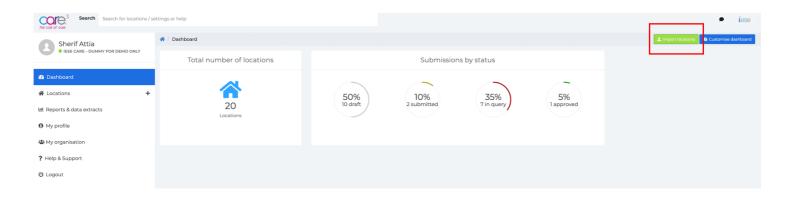
When inputting data into the workbook, please only include numerical values. No need to enter  $\pounds$  signs or %

## 8.5 Importing the workbook

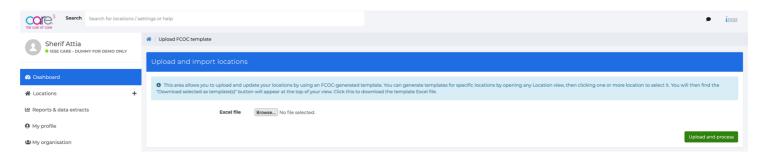
Before importing the workbook, please review for any errors, ensuring **no rows have been added, headers amended or removed**.

Next, ensure the workbook is saved as the correct file type either XLS or an XLSX file.

Then, to upload the workbook, return to the dashboard and select the **import location button** highlighted below:



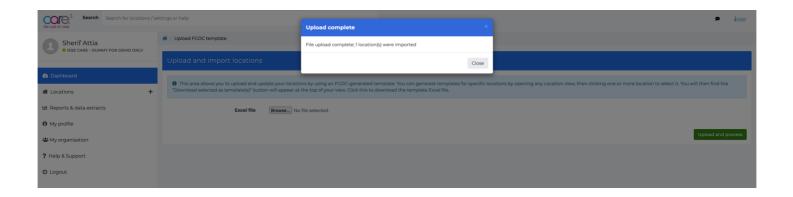
Once selected, the following dialogue box will appear, enabling you to upload your locations using the FCOC-generated workbook:



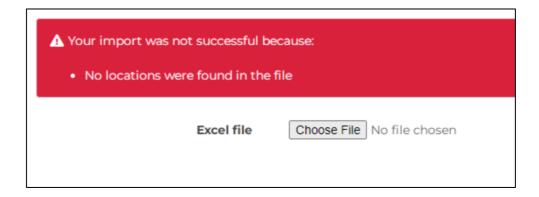


To upload your data, please select browse and find the FCOC-generated template you wish to upload ensuring it is saved as the correct file type (XLS or XLSX).

Once you have found you FCOC template, select 'Upload and process'. When uploaded you will see the following confirmation message:

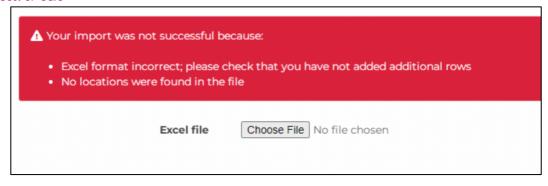


• If there are any errors in the file, the upload will fail and provide details of the issue. For example, if the file is empty or no locations are found, we show this error:



If the <u>rows have been deleted or changed</u>, we tell the user:





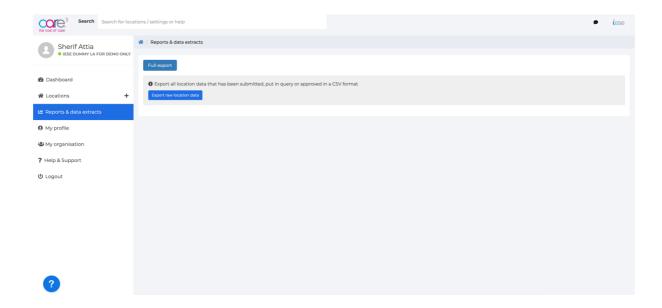
To view your newly uploaded location data – please return to your locations and review these.

## 9. Raw Data Export

To support the management of your data, we have introduced the functionality to be able to download your raw data into a CSV file. Below we walk you through how to access the raw data export and download all location related data into a single file.

## 9.1 What is the raw data export?

The raw data export allows the user to extract all the collected raw data into a CSV file, for further analysis. It is easy to access this data via the 'Reports and Data extracts' sub-menu:





To download your data into a raw CSV export – please select the button above 'Export Raw Location data'. This will download all your raw data into a convenient CSV file to use.

We have also included a document providing an overview of the fields in the import to aid with the analysis of this information, available in the help and support section of the tool.

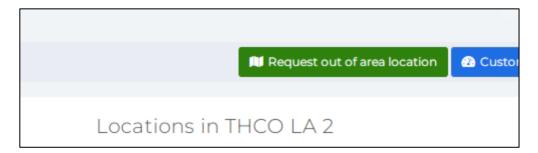
## 10. Out of Area (OAR) Data Requests

Where Local Authorities are placing within Care Homes outside of their immediate commissioning area, they may wish to receive this data from these Care Providers to use as part of the cost of care exercises.

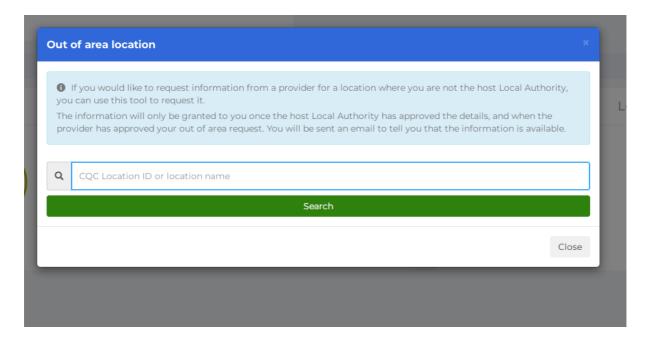
We have included functionality within the tool to enable Local Authorities to request this information from Care Providers, and for Care Providers to approve the sharing of this data.

## 10.1 Requesting Out of Area Data

The process begins on the Local Authority side, regardless of the state of the location. To begin a request Local Authorities will see a new button on their dashboard:

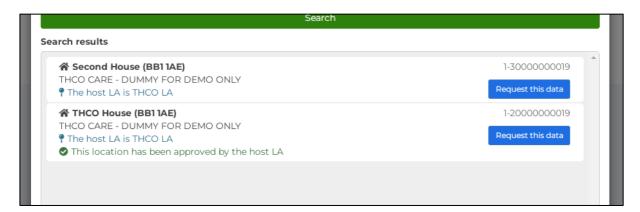


Local Authorities can perform searches by location ID or location name:

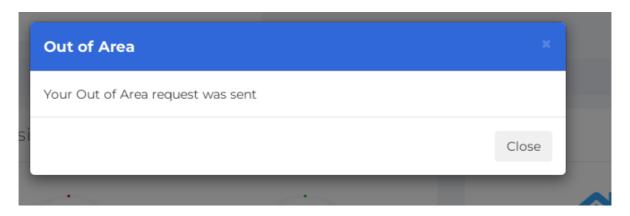




Any results will appear - and it will only show those where the LA is not the host LA. This is to stop them effectively requesting Out of Area access to their own host locations. We show the host LA on the search results and - should any be approved - this is also visible:



They can select any they wish to request, and will get a confirmation:



It is now over to the Care Provider to approve the data set with the host LA before approving the OAR.

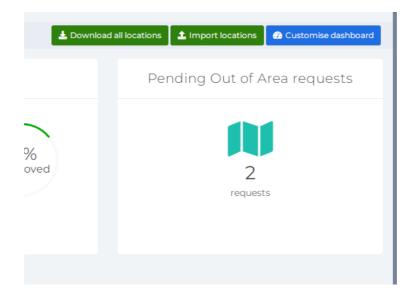
## 10.2 Approving or rejection an OAR data request

If the attached provider has registered on FCOC, all users at the provider receive a message to tell them about the request:

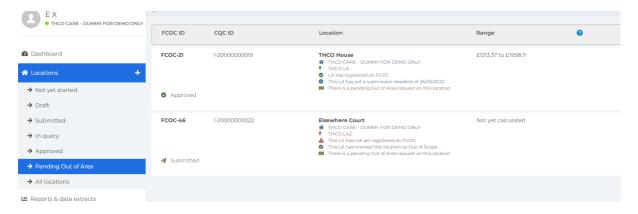




You can now re-add the OAR widget via the customise dashboard button (or it will just update to the latest version if you have it added already). This shows them pending OARs:



Clicking the icon sends the user into the new view with pending requests (also available in the left Locations sub-menu):



When you open a location with an OAR, if they are in any status other than 'Approved', they see an un-actionable message. This will include the situations where an OAR has been created before the provider signs up:

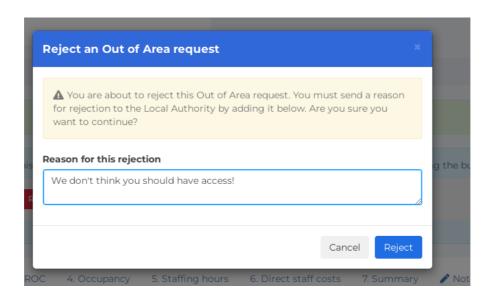


Once approved by the Host LA and Care Provider, the provider can then actually action the approval or rejection of these OARs right there within the location itself:

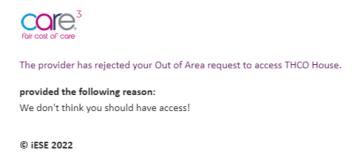




If you hit Reject, they see the dialog below and can send a reason (not mandatory) back to the LA:

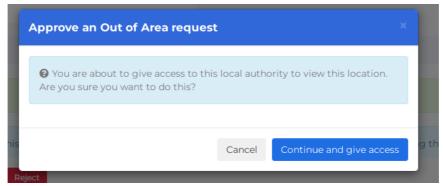


Once sent, the user sees a confirmation - and all LA users will receive a message telling them their request hasn't been successful (with the message from the dialog if one was added):

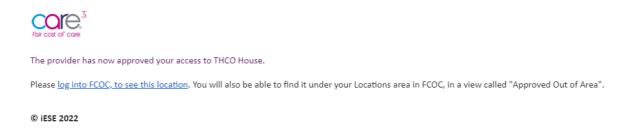


If you hit 'Approve', you will see the following instead:





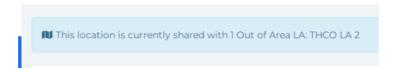
Once confirmed, LA users will be emailed - including a direct link to the location and info on how to get to these Out of Area locations:



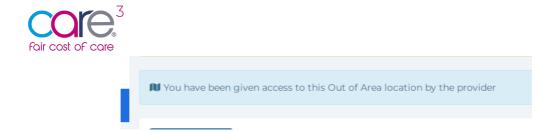
The LA can now open the location from their new "Approved out of area" view within the Locations sub-menu on the navigation (note: there's a deliberate lack of Mark out of scope button):



If the provider opens the record, they'll now see a banner with any Out of Area LAs that have been granted access:



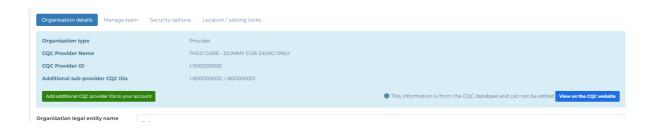
If the LA opens it, they'll see this message instead:



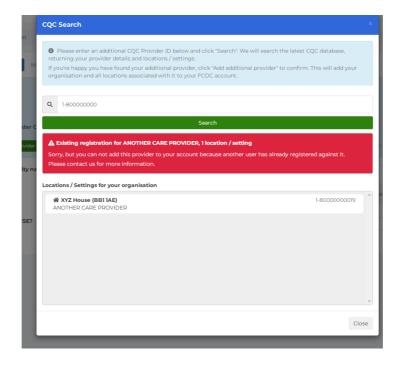
## 11. Adding Additional CQC IDs

To support account management, Care Providers can now add additional CQC Provider IDs and associated locations to their account. You can access this function from the "My organisation" sub-menu.

The upper section of this view has been improved to show any additional CQC IDs for the sub-orgs. There's also a new button to allow them to add an additional CQC provider ID to their account:

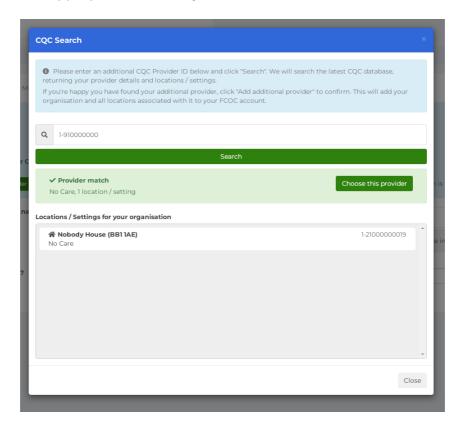


When you click this, you get a similar CQC search to their original registration one. It will only allow you to search by CQC provider ID as before, and will block you from continuing if someone else (including themselves) are already registered for that org:

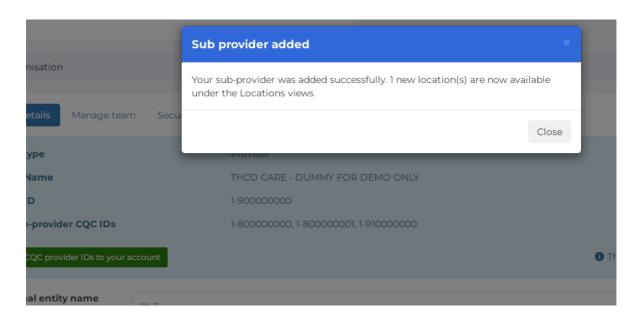




When they find an appropriate one, they can then choose it:



FCOC immediately updates, and shows a success message:



All locations under that new provider are then created, the number presented in the dialog above, and the user can then access them in the normal way.

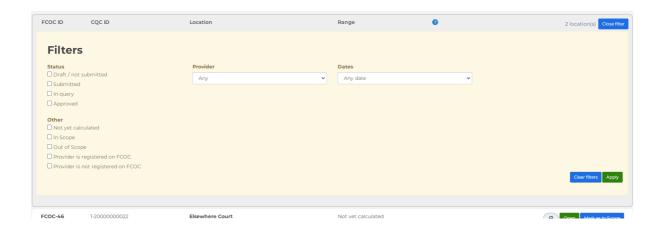
## <u>IMPORTANT – This process is not reversible</u>



## 12. Minor Tweaks & Improvements

In the latest release we have included several small tweaks and improvements, this includes:

• Improved filter view – the filter view now stands out more clearly to improve clarity:



Improved audit view layout:

