Dear Sir/Ms

I was unable to find either the Issues Paper or the OPC submission on the Web. From the letter received from OPC encouraging me to make my view known to IPART, I assume I'm being invited to comment on fees charged for OPC to process a Financial Controller's annual accounts return.

My comment is this. People who are caring financially for a person who receives no income other than Age Pension and there is no complicated estate issues or managed shares should not have to pay a fee at all. The accounting explanation whilst a bit tedious for the manager finishes up in a pretty simple result for the OPC to view. In most cases expenditure exceeds Age Pension income.

I believe the fee structure should be relevant to the size of the accounting exercise and as I said above, nil for reports that only need to cover basic income and outgoings.

In my case my husband is in care and we pay 85% out of his Age Pension for accommodation fees. The other 15% is taken and overtaken with other needs which come out of my Newstart Pension so no fees for lodging annual returns would be good for me.

I have no problem with my comments being shared with others.

Regards
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