

Please can you provide information about the care leavers' setting up home allowance (sometimes known as the leaving care grant) in your local authority.

We would like to understand your local authority's policy on the setting home allowance and would like answers to the following questions. Local authority name:

1. On the 1st March 2024, what was the total amount you offered to care leavers for their setting up home allowance/leaving care grant? (£) £ £3200
  
2. If on the 1st March 2024 the allowance/grant was less than £3,000, are there plans to increase it to £3,000 in 2024? Yes / No / Don't Know Yes, It was £3000
  
3. If a care leaver has already accessed some or all of their grant/allowance and the amount received was lower than £3000, will they be able to request the uplift / difference between £3000 and what they have already received? Yes / No / Don't Know Yes
  
4. Appendix E of the Transitions to Adulthood guidance specifies that all local authorities should have a policy that sets out the level of the setting up home allowance, how it will be used and any conditions for its use reflecting local priorities.
  - a. Do you have a written policy on the setting up home allowance/leaving care grant ? (please attach a copy) a) No
  - b. If yes, when was this policy last reviewed? (date: Month-Year) b) N/A
  
5. Does your local authority pay for any of the following items for care leavers in addition to the setting up home allowance/leaving care grant? Item Yes
  - Yes (in addition to allowance/grant) Carpets
  - No (it's included in allowance/grant) Broadband costs
  - Don't know TV licence
    - a. Broadband costs Other;
    - b. Carpets
    - c. Cooking equipment • Birthday allowance up to 21 years
    - d. First grocery shop • 10 x driving lessons
    - e. Furniture Laptop
    - f. House content insurance 12 months wifi
    - g. Mobile phone costs First TV licence
    - h. Redecoration costs of home passport application
    - i. TV licence • Prescriptions (2x per year)
    - j. Utility bills • weekly allowance until UC starts if living independently
    - k. White goods
    - l. Other (please describe)

In addition, please send us any written policies and public information that is available on the setting up home allowance for care leavers (e.g. local offer for care leavers).

No written policies