

Housing Benefit Circular

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ACTION	For information
SUBJECT	New Burdens payment 2016/17: Removal of temporary accommodation management fee in Housing Benefit subsidy

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Introduction

1. This circular is to inform you of the New Burdens funding that will be allocated to local authorities (LAs) affected by Universal Credit Full Service in 2016/17. The New Burdens funding of £1.5 million was set aside for the 2015 Autumn Statement policy measure for removing the temporary accommodation management fee from April 2017 and the setting up of a new equivalent fund from the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) at that point.
2. The New Burdens funding can be used flexibly by LAs helping them cope with temporary accommodation funding pressures until the DCLG fund comes into play in April 2017.
3. The Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) is aware that LAs may have other funding pressures related to welfare reforms too and expects those to be managed through the existing Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP) allocations. The Government has already committed to providing £870 million funding for the DHP scheme over the next 5 years aimed at helping LAs protect the most vulnerable Housing Benefit and Universal Credit claimants and supporting households adjusting to reforms.

Funding details

4. LAs will be allocated funding from the £1.5 million New Burdens fund for 2016/17 to mitigate the absence of a management fee under Universal Credit. This funding has been allocated to 109 LAs expected to be affected by the rollout of Universal Credit Full Service in 2016/17 or earlier (as detailed in the July 2016 published [rollout schedule](#)). Details of the annual payments for each LA are provided in Annex A. The calculation is based on the most recently published number of temporary accommodation cases in the LA, taking into account how much the LA is estimated to be affected by Universal Credit Full Service in 2016/17.

Funding and payment arrangements

5. Each LA listed in Annex A will receive a single payment in the week commencing 2 September 2016, totalling the allocations shown.
6. Some HB claimants are served by a UC Full Service Job Centre Plus (JCP) outside of the LA they live within. Therefore some LAs will receive an allocation of New Burdens funding despite there being no UC Full Service JCP offices within

their LA. This part of the allocations methodology is based on internal DWP estimates of where the claimants served by each JCP live.

New Burdens (temporary accommodation reform) payments June 2016

LA	Allocation of New Burdens funding for LAs affected by Universal Credit Full Service in 2016/17
Allerdale	£484.00
Bath & North East Somerset	£3,985.00
Bradford	£10.00
Brent	£288.00
Bristol	£223.00
Bromley	£1,133.00
Charnwood	£9.00
Cheshire West and Chester	£97.00
City of London	£156.00
Copeland	£104.00
Corby	£255.00
Cotswold	£37.00
Coventry	£27.00
Craven	£238.00
Croydon	£404,963.00
Daventry	£300.00
Durham	£7.00
Ealing	£5,185.00
East Dunbartonshire	£8,572.00
East Hampshire	£75.00
East Lothian	£100,438.00
East Northamptonshire	£17.00
Eastleigh	£149.00
Edinburgh	£3,746.00
Epsom and Ewell	£709.00
Fareham	£44.00
Gateshead	£45.00
Great Yarmouth	£91.00
Hackney	£119.00
Halton	£3,192.00
Hambleton	£884.00
Hammersmith& Fulham	£140,544.00
Harborough	£103.00
Harrogate	£11,686.00
Hastings	£2,912.00
Highland	£61,282.00
Hillingdon	£312.00
Hinckley and Bosworth	£117.00
Hounslow	£253,659.00
Inverclyde	£4,971.00
Kensington and Chelsea	£63,684.00
Kettering	£54.00
Kingston upon Thames	£7,011.00

Knowsley	£6.00
Lambeth	£36,589.00
Lancaster	£283.00
Leeds	£25.00
Leicester	£1.00
Lewisham	£8,837.00
Liverpool	£11.00
Manchester	£6.00
Melton	£2,373.00
Merton	£7,436.00
Mid Devon	£22.00
Midlothian	£6,208.00
New Forest	£1,092.00
Newcastle upon Tyne	£3,049.00
Newham	£369.00
North Ayrshire	£113.00
North Lanarkshire	£276.00
North Tyneside	£66.00
Northampton	£75.00
Northumberland	£18.00
Pendle	£4.00
Reigate and Banstead	£740.00
Renfrewshire	£78.00
Richmond upon Thames	£5,510.00
Richmondshire	£1,903.00
Rother	£725.00
Rugby	£11,123.00
Rushcliffe	£2.00
Rutland	£93.00
Ryedale	£927.00
Scottish Borders	£20.00
Sedgemoor	£3,822.00
Shropshire	£350.00
South Gloucestershire	£73.00
South Lakeland	£7.00
South Norfolk	£23.00
South Northamptonshire	£77.00
South Somerset	£1,158.00
South Tyneside	£2.00
Southampton	£4,828.00
Southwark	£165,675.00
Spelthorne	£258.00
St Helens	£9.00
Stockton on Tees	£12.00
Stratford on Avon	£1,401.00
Suffolk Coastal	£2.00
Sutton	£76,561.00
Swindon	£22,691.00
Tandridge	£98.00

Taunton Deane	£3,492.00
Test Valley	£99.00
Tower Hamlets	£41,641.00
Vale of White Horse	£97.00
Wandsworth	£1,540.00
Warrington	£785.00
Warwick	£13.00
Waveney	£3,203.00
Wealden	£65.00
Wellingborough	£27.00
West Lothian	£14.00
West Somerset	£556.00
Westminster	£1,158.00
Wigan	£2.00
Wiltshire	£305.00
Winchester	£26.00
York	£33.00
Total	£1,500,000.00