

Care Leavers Service Local Offer

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How we develop the offer

- With the regional board to ensure parity across regions, this includes current developments around:
 - Council tax
 - Setting up Home Allowance
 - Bus passes
 - Access to health services
- Part of the Care Leaver Covenant developments
- Attend National Benchmarking.
- Work with young people including the Children in Care Council, the Experts group and the Connect group.
- Listen to what young people tell us within their Pathway Planning and via any surveys we complete with them.



Update on the offer, recent developments include:

- Setting up Home Allowance is now £3,000
- All Care Leavers can have a free bus pass
- All Care Leavers have either exemption or support with council tax.
- Offer extended for young people who are not in education, employment or training including care leavers being entitled to an interview for any vacancy they apply for with DCC.
- Offer extended for young people who are in custody.
- Extended offer for young people who are parents.
- Young people who study a master's degree can now receive support.

We don't sit still,
future
developments
include:

Part	As part of the regional group, work with health to improve access to support, we now employ an emotional/mental health worker within the Care Leavers Service.
Continue	Continue to work on cross regional priorities.
Continue	Continue to be an active part of benchmarking and involve our young people further in this.
Build	Build further on our offer for individual groups of young people such as care leavers with children and those in custody.
Extend	Further extend our offer to young people who are NEET.
Work	Work with housing to ensure care leavers have their own and complex young people do not become homeless.