

Local Authority Details.

Do you accept responsibility for your local council publishing a care leaver offer? YES

Has your local authority made care experience a protected characteristic? NO

We have newly elected corporate parent board and this will be an agenda item in September as we are keen for this to happen and be taken to full Cabinet

Publishing the Local Offer

Have you published the Local Offer for Care Leavers? YES

If Yes, how - on the website

Printable format (please attach pdf) YES

Online YES

If Yes, where – website

Downloadable App NO

If yes, please give details (Name/publisher)

Have care leavers co-produced the Local Offer YES

If yes, please give details – voice group

Who would you like to be the main contact for your care leavers to contact you?

Name Stacie Lane – service manager

Email [stacie.lane2@ herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:stacie.lane2@herefordshire.gov.uk)

Phone

Who is the Director responsible for Childrens Services?

Name Darryl Freeman

Email Darryl.Freeman@herefordshire.gov.uk

Council Tax exemption

Do you provide council tax exemption for Care Leavers? YES

If yes up to what age - 25

Is this only available to care leavers from your local authority? YES

Please tell us what care leavers must do to apply?

This is applied with them and their PA once they have their own accommodation

Employment

Do you offer any work experience within your local authority for Care Leavers? NO

If yes, how many per year?

Will your local authority pay for work/interview clothes to help care leavers into work? YES

Will your local authority pay towards travel to work or training for care leavers? YES

Have you ringfenced any apprentices for Care Leavers NO

Are Care Leavers in your local authority working as apprentices? NO

If yes, how many per year?

Please tell us anything else about work and training that you do to support care leavers?

Participation in society

Identification and proof of address

Do you ensure each young person has ID documents when they leave care? YES

If yes, do you provide, pay for and help the young person gain their:

First passport YES

Provisional driving license YES

Birth certificate YES

Getting care leavers on the road

Do you in principle (*Accepting this is not always a blanket offer*)

assist with driving lessons? YES

assist with theory tests? YES

assist with driving tests? YES

assist with CBT tests? YES

Have local partners supported you with free travel for care leavers? NO

Access to corporate parents

Do care leavers have the opportunity to meet with their corporate parents (councilors) YES

Do care leavers have the opportunity for mentoring with any of the senior leadership team? NO

If yes, please give details

Children in care and care leavers council

Do you have a children in care and care leaver council YES

If yes, please provide details. (How many attend and age groups/contact details)

We are, with the young people reviewing this. we currently have a care experienced group which meets monthly .
The younger CIC council needs to be re-established – we have this in place by september 23

Does your children in care and care leavers council have its own bank account? NO

Does your children and care leavers council have its own constitution? NO

If yes, please provide details

Health and wellbeing

Do care leavers get free access to leisure facilities as part of the local offer? YES

Do care leavers have access to a free gym membership? YES

Do care leavers has access to free swimming? YES

Do care leavers have access to free classes? YES

If yes, up to what age? 25

If care leavers get free access to leisure facilities, can they take a friend for free? NO

Who can care leavers contact to apply?

Name Naomi Alleyne

Email naomi.alleyne@herefordshire.gov.uk

Special occasions

Do you pay anything towards Christmas and other religious celebrations for care leavers? YES

If yes, please provide details.

Do you pay anything towards birthday celebrations for care leavers? YES

If yes, please provide details.

Mentoring schemes

Do you have peer mentors (other care leavers)? NO

Do you have any other mentoring schemes NO

If yes, please provide details.

Access to care files

Do young people have to go through the complaints department to access their care files? YES

Do those that access their files get emotional support before, during and after disclosure? YES

If yes, please give details

Our PAs are trained to support the young people before, during and after reading their files

Housing

Do care leavers get priority banding for social housing? YES

If yes, up to what age do they get priority 25

If yes, what banding priority do they get?

Please tell us any further details on how they qualify and what they should do?

Young people register with Home point at 17-5 as part of their pathway planning ..

Do care leavers get to practice independent living with short term taster flats (practice flats) NO

Private rental sector.

(Accepting this is not always a blanket offer)

Do you in principle assist with:

Acting as a guarantor for care leavers in private rented property? YES

Providing a deposit for care leavers in private rented property? YES

Setting up home allowance

Do you provide care leavers with a setting up allowance? YES

If yes, how much? £3000

Would you in principle assist with:

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support to pay at least the first year TV License for care leavers? YES

support to pay at least the first-year home contents insurance? YES

support to pay for redecoration costs of a care leavers first flat? NO

support with broadband costs for care leavers? NO

support with mobile phone costs for care leavers? YES

Will your local authority pay towards cooking equipment? YES

