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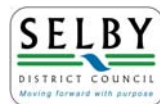


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Housing & Council Tax Benefit



Extended Payments

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Introduction

This guide is one of a number produced with the aim of helping customers understand Housing and Council Tax Benefit.

It is intended as a general guide. People have different circumstances so for more detailed individual advice please contact your local Council's Benefits Service.

What are extended payments?

They are payments of Housing and Council Tax Benefit made for 4 weeks and are awarded if you or your partner start work, increase your hours or wages and your entitlement to Income Support, income based Jobseeker's Allowance, long-term Incapacity Benefit, Severe Disablement Allowance or income related Employment and Support Allowance ends.

They are paid at the same rate of Housing/Council Tax Benefit which was payable at the time Income Support, income based Jobseeker's Allowance, long-term Incapacity Benefit, Severe Disablement Allowance or income related Employment and Support Allowance ceased.

Who is entitled to extended payments?

You or your partner are entitled to extended payments if:

- you or your partner are starting work or increasing your hours or earnings, **and**
- this is expected to last for at least 5 weeks, **and**
- your entitlement to Income Support, income based Jobseeker's Allowance, long-term Incapacity Benefit, Severe Disablement Allowance or income related Employment and Support Allowance has lasted continuously for 26 weeks and has ceased as a result

Do I need to apply?

When you make a claim for Housing/Council Tax Benefit based on your/your partner's earnings we will automatically check for any entitlement you may have to extended payments.

What happens next?

If you or your partner have satisfied the conditions we will extend your Housing/Council Tax claim for up to 4 weeks from the Monday following the date your Income Support, income based Jobseeker's Allowance, long-term Incapacity Benefit, Severe Disablement Allowance or income related Employment and Support Allowance stopped.

Following your extended payment any entitlement to Housing/Council Tax Benefit will then be calculated providing you have supplied all of the evidence required to process your claim.

