

Housing/ In your home

- Priority 2 housing allocation
- Staying Put
- Staying Close
- Support from personal adviser/social worker around housing
- Setting up Home Allowance for priority purchases such as TV license, WIFI, Ring doorbell and Air fryer

You in your community

- Free bus passes
- Support you to develop your Independent Living Skills
- Help you with identification such as passport, driving license and setting up a bank account
- Help to support you with driving lessons where appropriate—up to 10 lessons
- Advice and support with housing, benefits and personal independent payments application process
- Help you to pursue a hobby/music/sporting interest
- You can ask to see any information we hold about you
- Library membership and access to health and wellbeing support at the Community Hubs
- If you want independent advice and support you are entitled to an Advocate from NYAS (National Youth Advocacy Service)
- Projects within Hartlepool Borough Council - Art Project
- Young persons hub - Pathfinders
- Dedicated Social Worker/PA for UASC - Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children and Young People



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Our Local Offer To You

The local offer provides information to care leavers about what support they can expect. This offer of support services from Hartlepool is also what care leavers are entitled to throughout the country.

Did you know that our Personal Advisors are champion leads in certain areas that can better support you.

Kirsten - Housing, Adult and Service Development

Jodie - Care Experienced Parents

Cath - Mental Health

Joanne - Education

Wendy - Prisons and Youth Justice

David - Policies and Procedures

Tina - Service Development, Health and Substance Misuse

Haley - UASC

Neil - Disabilities

WE WILL

BELIEVE IN YOU

HELP YOU PLAN

FOR YOUR FUTURE

CARE ABOUT YOU

Health and Wellbeing

- Access to Therapeutic Support
- Provide you with a Health Passport
- Support getting health advice and treatment from doctors, dentists and other health services
- Free active cards giving access to leisure facilities in the town
- Dedicated substance misuse worker - extended engagement package

Your Voice

- Participation Workers can talk to you about opportunities and what you can be involved in
- You can join in with regional and national young people's opportunities
- Join in groups to make positive changes for children in care and leaving care
- Pathfinders website

Our support to you

- Your social worker /PA will see you as frequently as you need until you are 18 years old
- Social workers and personal advisors will be available to help whenever you need them up to the age of 25
- **PATHWAY PLAN** - Your social worker or personal advisor will work with you to prepare your Pathway Plan for your future
- Once you're 18 you will be allocated a PA

Money

- An allowance to help you set up your first home
- We will pay your Council Tax until you are 25 years old
- A payment to take part in supporting interviews or participating in national events
- £75 towards dentist & prescriptions
- Water rate scheme for care leavers -

Education, Employment & Training

- One Stop Shop from 18 years to support with CV writing, interview preparations, job search, apprenticeships and training opportunities
- 16– 18 years - Virtual school to support you in further and higher education
- Access to designated worker at Jobcentre for care leavers
- Provide support for job interviews, including preparations for travel and clothing
- Education bursaries
- Training Incentives
- Pay for university application
- Work experience opportunities within Hartlepool Borough Council