

Local Welfare Provision

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What is Local Welfare Provision?

The Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) stopped crisis loans and community care grants in April 2013. Slough Borough Council is now administering the Local Welfare Provision (LWP) which will aim to:

- prevent serious risk to health, wellbeing or safety
- provide essential support in the event of an emergency
- help people to be part of the community.

An award will normally be a one off payment, normally in goods or services, as a short term fix to prevent a long term problem.

The DWP funded Local Welfare Provision for two years and since April 2015, we have chosen to fund this service.

We will consider whether an application meets the criteria for Local Welfare Provision and that there are still funds available.

You need to be at least 16 years old to apply, and unable to obtain other public funds for the application.

You must be also be:

- a settled Slough resident, or
- have been placed out of the area by Slough Council, or
- have moved to Slough after leaving care or prison, for example, or
- a full-time student receiving benefits.

If an award has previously been declined and a new application is presented for the same need, a new award will not be considered.

How to apply

- [Complete the online application.](#)
- Go to [MyCouncil, Landmark Place, High Street, Slough](#) to make an application.

How much funding is available?

We have developed a scheme for making payments from this money to people who are most in need and a leaflet about the scheme is available in the Downloads section.

Who to contact

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| Name | My Council |
| Telephone | 01753 475111 |
| Email | benefits@slough.gov.uk |
| Website | Slough Borough Council |

Where to go

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| Name | My Council |
| Address | Landmark Place High Street Slough |
| Postcode | SL1 1JL |