DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

e-mail: freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gsi.gov.uk

Our Ref: VTR 3788

DATE 13 August 2013

Dear Gazz,

Yours sincerely.

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 10 August. You asked for:-

When receiving confirmation that benefit is to be paid, the confirmation also states ~ I quote ~ ' How much the law says you need to live on ' end quote.

Please can you detail specifically what sections of law are used in the assessments made by the DWP to come to the conclusion/total of benefit arrived at?

You can expect a reply by 09 September unless I need to come back to you to clarify your request or the balance of the public interest test needs to be considered.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me quoting the reference number above.

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Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing <u>freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gsi.gov.uk</u> or by writing to DWP, Central Fol Team, Caxton House, Tothill Street, SW1H 9NA. Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF www.ico.gov.uk