

AIR4261P – Adopted child allowances

Please can you quantify your Council's expenditure during the 2010-2011 financial year on EACH of the following, -

1. Adopted Child Support Allowance

Children and Young People's Services Response

£203,478

2. Grants to Adoptive Parents to purchase furniture, equipment, etc, prior to the adopted children's arrival.

Children and Young People's Services Response

£165,744. This amount would include costs to prospective adoptive parents and post adoption support.

3. Prospective Adoptive Parents expenses, e.g, mileage, reimbursement of loss of earnings when attending Court, meals and hotel accommodation when visiting a prospective adoptive child in its Foster Home, etc.

Children and Young People's Services Response

See answer to question 2.

Each Council will have its own rules in respect of allowable expenses. Please can you list what expenses your Council's expenditure covers

Children and Young People's Services Response

Children and Young People's Services pay for furniture/equipment based on the child's/adopters needs, but there is no set amount. Havering will pay mileage during introductions, including hotel & meals again no set amount. We do not pay for loss of earnings, but do pay for the Adoption Application court cost. Post Adoption Support costs will depend on the need of the child ie therapy, contact again there are no set amounts

4. Post Adoption Support, (other than adoption allowances).What does your Council's support consist of?

Children and Young People's Services Response

See answer to question 2.