

Council Tax – Foster Carer Discount Scheme

Herefordshire Council is passionate about providing a family life for children and young adults of all ages who cannot live with their birth families.

We recognise that Foster Carers give children in our care the start in life they deserve and a safe home where they are loved, cared for and supported to grow into the young person they want to be. By granting up to 100% discretionary relief from council tax, the Council will be providing practical help and financial assistance to encourage more Foster Carers to join our Fostering Service so that our children can be placed with local families that best reflect their background and culture and, wherever possible, are near to their own families, schools and communities.

To apply for this discount, please complete this form in full and return it to us.

Part One

Applicant's Name:	
Date of Birth:	
Your Address:	
Your Council Tax Account Number:	
Email Address:	
Contact Telephone Number:	
Date of Herefordshire Council Foster Carer Approval:	

1) Are you the only person over the age of 18 living at this address? YES / NO

Please provide details of all other persons resident in the property and their relationship to yourself and Residency status - *For example Joint tenant, partner*

Name	Date of Birth	Residency Status

Should your circumstances change and you no longer meet the qualifying criteria, you must notify us within 21 days.

You must continue to make payments of your Council Tax as demanded until such time as you receive a revised Bill. Making an application does not mean you can stop or reduce the payments requested. Any overpayment made, will be reimbursed to you.

On the signing of this form you agree that, to the best of your knowledge, the information contained on the form is complete and is not false. Wilfully making a false statement on the application form is a criminal offence and any individual that intentionally and dishonestly provides false information, will be investigated under the Fraud Act 2006 and may be liable for prosecution.

By noting the below and signing this form you are confirming that the person named in Section 1 meets the criteria in the policy for the Foster Carer Discount Scheme.

I confirm that:-

a) The person named in Section 1 is a Herefordshire Council approved Foster Carer

If you are able to confirm the above, please sign and complete the declaration below:

Name:		Title:	
Signature:		Date:	
Contact Phone Number		Contact Email address	

Please complete this application and return it to Revenues & Benefits Services, Plough Lane, Hereford. HR4 0LE. Alternatively, you can email it to counciltax@herefordshire.gov.uk