

Council Tax Support

Practical examples – how the
scheme may affect you

Pension Age Claimant

Example 1

Claimant is 70 years old and lives alone. They currently receive Guaranteed Pension Credit. Their property in Long Eaton is a band A. Their annual Council Tax charge is £986.76 less 25% single person discount totalling £740.07 or £14.19 per week. (Weekly Council Tax charge is calculated by taking the annual figure, dividing by 365 for the number of days in the year and then multiplying by 7 days).

Current Council Tax Benefit Scheme

Weekly Council Tax Charge = £14.19

Council Tax Benefit award = £14.19

Amount to pay per week = £0.00

New Council Tax Support Scheme

Weekly Council Tax Charge = £14.19

Council Tax Benefit award = £14.19

Amount to pay per week = £0.00

Under the new scheme Pension Age claimants will not change and this example is to illustrate that fact.



Working Age Customer

Example 2

Claimant is 40 years old and lives alone. They currently receive Income Based Job Seekers Allowance. Their property in Ilkeston is a band C. Their annual Council Tax charge is £1,310.27 less 25% single person discount totalling £982.70 or £18.85 per week. (Weekly Council Tax charge is calculated by taking the annual figure, dividing by 365 for the number of days in the year and then multiplying by 7 days)

<u>Current Council Tax Benefit Scheme</u>	<u>New Council Tax Support Scheme (CTS)</u>
Weekly Council Tax Charge =£18.85	Weekly Council Tax Charge = £18.85
Council Tax Benefit award =£18.85	Weekly Calculation amount = £18.85
Amount to pay per week = £0.00	Less 8.5% CTS saving = £1.60
	New CTS award = £17.25
	Amount to pay per week = £1.60
	Annual amount to pay = £83.43

Under the new scheme the customer has 8.5% deducted after their Benefit has been calculated.

Working Age Customer

Example 3

Couple are working age with 2 children. They currently work and receive Child Tax Credit and Working Tax Credit . Their property in Kirk Hallam is a band D. Their annual Council Tax charge is £1,474.04 or £28.27 per week. (Weekly Council Tax charge is calculated by taking the annual figure, dividing by 365 for the number of days in the year and then multiplying by 7 days)

<u>Current Council Tax Benefit Scheme</u>		<u>New Council Tax Support Scheme (CTS)</u>	
Weekly Council Tax Charge	= £28.27	Weekly Council Tax Charge	= £28.27
Council Tax Benefit award	= £25.46	Weekly Calculation amount	= £25.46
Amount to pay per week	= £2.81	Less 8.5% CTS saving	= £2.16
		New CTS award	= £23.30
		Amount to pay per week	= £4.97
		Annual amount to pay	= £259.15

Under the new scheme the customer has 8.5% deducted after their Benefit has been calculated.