

# Support with the Cost of Living

If you're worried about the cost of living rise there's lots of support available locally.

This leaflet has information about some of the key support available for parents, carers and families in Derbyshire.

You can also find more advice and information at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/costofliving



#### Free school meals

Your child could be eligible for free school meals aged up to 18 if you're on certain benefits. Find out more at: <a href="https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals">www.derbyshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals</a>

# Holiday activities and food programme

This programme offers school holiday activities and healthy food for children across Derbyshire. Sessions are free for families who claim benefit related free school meals. Find out more at: <a href="https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/haf">www.derbyshire.gov.uk/haf</a>

#### **Funded childcare**

If you have younger children then you might be eligible for up to 30 hours of funded childcare. Find out more here: <a href="www.derbyshire.gov.uk/childcarecosts">www.derbyshire.gov.uk/childcarecosts</a>

## **Council Tax Support**

More people could be eligible for support with their Council Tax than realise it. Visit: <a href="www.derbyshire.gov.uk/counciltaxhelp">www.derbyshire.gov.uk/counciltaxhelp</a>

#### Mental health and wellbeing

Looking after your emotional and mental health is really important. Get support here: <a href="https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/mentalhealth">www.derbyshire.gov.uk/mentalhealth</a>

## Free healthy lifestyles support

Derbyshire residents can get FREE support to stop smoking, lose weight and get more active with <u>www.livelifebetterderbyshire.org.uk</u>

#### Benefits check up

You could be missing out on benefits that you're entitled to. Find out more at: <a href="www.derbyshire.gov.uk/welfarebenefits">www.derbyshire.gov.uk/welfarebenefits</a>

## **Borrowing and saving**

You can get information about lower cost alternatives to pay day loans, savings and community banks at <a href="https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/savingsandcredit">www.derbyshire.gov.uk/savingsandcredit</a>

