East Renfrewshire Citizens



Advice Bureau Weekly Update

19/05/2023

ADP Case Transfers –

Our benefits team have received many queries with regards to the process of moving from DWP disability benefits; Disability Living Allowance (DLA) and Personal Independence Payment (PIP), to Social Security Scotland's Adult Disability Payment.

When it's time for your benefit to move, the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) will contact you; usually via letter. Once your benefit starts to move, Social Security Scotland will send you a 'hello and welcome' letter.

DWP will pay your benefit until Social Security Scotland start paying you Adult Disability Payment. During the move DWP will send Social Security Scotland information about your current award.

Social Security Scotland may need to call or write to you to confirm some personal details. They will call from 0800 182 2222.

After the move is complete, Social Security Scotland will send you another letter to let you know; what rate of Adult Disability Payment you'll get and what date your payment starts.

The letter will also include a review form for you to tell them about your condition and any recent changes to your health. Social Security Scotland will use the information in this form to review your award. This is to make sure you're on the right level of payment.

www.mygov.scot/changes-to-disability-living-allowancedla-for-adults

NHSGGC – Change In Guidance On Face Masks For Patients And Visitors – May 2023

From Tuesday 16th May 2023, new Scottish Government guidance came into effect on the use of facemasks and face coverings within health and care settings.

Patients and visitors to all health and care settings including adult care homes do not need to wear a mask or face covering unless advised by staff.

The advice covers all hospitals, health centres, community sectors, primary care facilities and care homes.

www.nhsggc.scot/change-in-guidance-on-face-masksfor-patients-and-visitors-may-2023

Bureau Update -

At the end of this month, our bureau will be closed for a long weekend as a result of the Spring Bank Holiday.

The office will close at 3pm Thursday 25th May and will reopen 9.30am Tuesday 30th May.

Telephones and staff emails will not be monitored during this time.

Foster Care Fortnight 2023-

Running from Monday 15 May - Sunday 28 May 2023, Foster Care Fortnight is the UK's biggest foster care awareness raising campaign, delivered by leading fostering charity, The Fostering Network.

This week East Renfrewshire Council unveiled a new exhibition dedicated to the wonderful work of local foster carers.

The photography exhibition tells the story of six of the region's foster carers featuring them at locations where they love to relax and telling the story of why they foster.

The stories of six foster carers feature in a mini-exhibition which is touring East Renfrewshire over the summer months. You can view the display:

The Foundry	15 – 22 May
Morrisons Giffnock	22 – 29 May
Netherlee Pavilion	12 – 16 June
Clarkston Halls	19 – 23 June
Montgomery Hall	26 – 30 June
Mearns Community Library	3 - 7 July
Dunterlie Community Centre	10 – 14 July
Neilston Leisure Centre	17 – 21 July
Waitrose Newton Mearns	Dates TBC

<u>thefosteringnetwork.org.uk/foster-care-fortnight-2023</u> <u>eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/fostering-exhibition</u>

Clients can also get in contact with the bureau via:

Email - ere-bureau@eastrenfrewshirecab.casonline.org.uk

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