



East Renfrewshire Citizens

Advice Bureau Weekly Update

13/01/2023

Good News Story – Benefits

Long term client of the bureau came to us for further benefit support as, due to deterioration of a pre-existing health condition, they were no longer able to fulfil their Universal Credit (UC) claimant commitment.

One of our benefits advisers was able to assist client in obtaining a fit-note from their GP and reporting this change of circumstance through Universal Credit journal.

We continued to provide this support for a number of weeks until client received a Work-Capability Form (UC50) that our adviser was able to complete with client and also obtain supporting medical evidence.

At this time it was decided that client was now eligible for Adult Disability Payment; an application was submitted along with supporting medical evidence.

Client recently got back in touch with positive news – a 2 year award was given for Adult Disability Payment of Daily Living Standard Rate of £61.85 weekly and Mobility Enhanced Rate £64.50 weekly. **This gives a Client Financial Gain (CFG) of £13,140.40.**

Shortly after, our client was then also awarded Limited Capability for Work and Work Related Activity (LCWRA) element on their Universal Credit. LCWRA relieves client of all mandatory work activity and provides an **on-going monthly CFG of £354.28.**

Both the client and their family, and bureau staff were delighted to receive this result.

Contact our benefits team on 0141 881 2032 or drop in to the office to arrange an appointment.

NHSGGC News Update –

‘Right Care, Right Place’

“Getting the right care at this time of year means making sure you go to the right place.”

We are being advised to check the NHS Inform website (www.nhsinform.scot) if feeling unwell; by doing this, we can all get the appropriate care safely and quickly while continuing to help protect Accident & Emergency departments from becoming overwhelmed.

You can find further information by visiting: www.nhsggc.scot/right-care-right-place.

East Renfrewshire Schools – P1 Applications

Applications remain open for a P1 school catchment place for your child if you currently live within East Renfrewshire Council or will be living within the authority by the start of the new session after the summer holidays.

There is less than 1 week left to submit your applications as the deadline is midnight on Friday 20th January (2023).

Requests can be made after the above date; however, this may lessen the chance of securing a place in your preferred school.

Apply here: www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/apply-for-p1.

ERCAB Drop-In Service –

We have increased our staffing levels to accommodate more weekly outreach services. *The following locations are open 10am – 1pm:*

Monday & Thursday) with Mark Parsons and Caitlyn

Include Me 2 Club, 124 Main Street, Barrhead, G78 1SG.

Tuesday) with Tracy

Clarkston Library, Clarkston Road, Clarkston, G76 8NE

Wednesday) with Aileen

Mearns Library, 35 McKinley Place, Newton Mearns, G77 6EZ.

Open 10.30am – 12.30pm:

Friday) with Stephanie and Grace

Dunterlie Resource Centre, 36A Stewart Street, Barrhead, G78 1AL.

Open 2pm – 4pm (commencing 24th January):

Tuesday) with Rosie

Thornliebank Library, 1 Spiersbridge Road, G46 7SJ

Clients can also get in contact with the bureau via:

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

You can also keep up to date with recent news from ERCAB via our social media platforms. Please feel free to distribute the contact details for our advisers provided on our Facebook page.

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