

Local Housing Allowance Rates For October 2008 – Forest Heath District Council

This fact sheet gives the Local Housing Allowance rates in Forest Heath District Council's area effective from **1st October 2008**.

The number of people who live with you is used to work out how many bedrooms your household is entitled to. If you are aged under 25, are single and do not live with any dependants, you can only get the Local Housing Allowance shared room rate unless you are severely disabled or you are a care leaver.

You will be entitled to one bedroom for:

- Every adult couple (married or unmarried)
- Any other adult aged 16 or over
- Any two children of the same sex aged under 16
- Any two children aged under 10
- Any other child

The area you live in (Broad Rental Market Area - BRMA) will also affect the amount of Housing Benefit we can pay you and there are 2 BRMA's used in the Forest Heath District Council area. The BRMA's are decided by the Rent Service and your postcode will let us know in which area your property is included.

If the Local Housing Allowance Rate that applies to your household is more than your rent, the maximum amount of benefit that can be paid is your rent plus £15.00.

Please find the **weekly** rates shown in the table below:

No. Bedrooms	Bury St Edmunds	Cambridge
Shared Room Rate	£69.00	£75.00
1 Bedroom	£103.85	£139.62
2 Bedrooms	£132.69	£154.62
3 Bedrooms	£166.15	£173.08
4 Bedrooms	£242.31	£259.62
5 Bedrooms	£363.46	£346.15

The figures above are supplied by the Rent Service for the Broad Rental Market Areas shown