Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme

Help for residents at times of unavoidable crisis when they have no other means of support.

How can the Local Welfare Scheme help?

The discretionary scheme provides:

- Emergency support towards food, energy or other essentials as vouchers, food parcels from local/community food banks or with credit for energy.

- Help to people whose needs are more long-term, who are vulnerable through an ongoing set of circumstances, including:
  - care leavers
  - victims of domestic abuse
  - former armed forces personnel
  - those resettling in a community after a custodial term

  This help may take the form of furnishing accommodation with basic furniture and appliances.

- Signposting to other agencies and organisations who can offer further support.

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Who is eligible?

Applicants need to be:
- a legal resident in the UK
- aged 16 or over
- have no other access to funds or enough resources to pay for food or energy
- experiencing a situation which poses a serious health or safety risk to themselves and their family
- a resident of Warwickshire for the last six months or three of the last five years
- a member of the armed forces who can demonstrate a strong connection to Warwickshire

How to apply?

Call the Local Welfare Scheme on **0800 4081448** or **01926 359182** for a confidential discussion with a friendly advisor.
In order to assess needs, advisors will require certain information. To make an application to the scheme, applicants will need to be prepared to share information, such as:

- National Insurance number
- Household details
- Financial circumstances
- Access to other forms of financial support
- Circumstances and reasons for the claim
- Preventative measures taken by the applicant or partner

Opening Hours

Monday to Thursday   9am to 5pm
Friday   9am to 4.30pm

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The council is committed to tackling and preventing fraud in all its forms. Where the council suspects that fraud may have occurred, it will investigate the matter.

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