

APPENDIX A - Table of Allowances and Fees 2023-2024

Effective from: 9 April 2023

Portsmouth City Council's Standard Fostering Allowance - weekly rates

Age band	Total standard fostering allowance	Pocket money element of standard fostering allowance	Clothing element of standard fostering allowance	Long term savings element of standard fostering allowance	**Weekly travel allowance	* Payment to young person - personal allowance (deducted at source)	Total payment to carer (minus personal allowance paid direct to young person)
0-4	£177.00	£3.72	£28.84	£5.86	£11.25	-	£177.00
5-10	£195.00	£9.47	£35.21	£5.86	£11.25	-	£195.00
11-15	£223.00	£15.25	£52.82	£9.24	£11.25	-	£223.00
16-17	£260.00	£20.43*	£17.63*	£9.24	£11.25	-£38.06*	£221.94

*Includes clothing and pocket money paid to the young person

** Travel is deducted from all travel claims for Fostering and Respite Care at £11.25 per week or £1.61 per day.

Skills Fees

Level 1 Allowance & Skill Fees

Age band	Weekly standard fostering allowance	Weekly Level 1 Fee	Weekly level 1 fee enhancement	Total weekly Level 1 payment
0-4	£177.00	£2.86	£27.94	£207.80
5-10	£195.00	£6.73	-	£201.73
11-15	£223.00	£25.58	-	£248.58
16-17	£260.00	£38.44	-	£298.44*

***Note:** PA element of £38.06 is included in this figure and will be deducted and paid direct to young person.

Level 2 Allowance & Skill Fees

Age band	Weekly standard fostering allowance	Weekly Level 1 fee (including enhancement)	Weekly Level 2 Fee	Total weekly Level 2 payment (standard fostering allowance plus Level 1 and level 2 fee)
0-4	£177.00	£30.80	£154.98	£362.78
5-10	£195.00	£6.73	£154.98	£356.71
11-15	£223.00	£25.58	£154.98	£403.56
16-17	£260.00	£38.44	£154.98	£453.42*

*** Note:** PA element of £38.06 is included in this figure and will be deducted and paid direct to young person.

Level 3 Allowance & Skill Fees

Age band	Weekly standard fostering allowance	Weekly Level 1 Fee (including enhancement)	Weekly Level 3 fee	Total weekly Level 3 payment (standard fostering allowance plus Level 1 and level 3 fee)
0-4	£177.00	£30.80	£300.00	£507.80
5-10	£195.00	£6.73	£300.00	£501.73
11-15	£223.00	£25.58	£300.00	£548.58
16-17	£260.00	£38.44	£300.00	£598.44*

* **Note:** PA element of £38.06 is included in this figure and will be deducted and paid direct to young person

Annual School Holiday Allowance*

Age Band	Annual allowance
0-4	£354
5-10	£390
11-15	£446
16 years	£520

* Payment split into two parts (Easter Holiday 25%, Summer Holiday 75%).

Birthday and Annual Festivity Allowance

Age Band	Allowance
0-4 Years	£177
5-10 Years	£195
11-15 Years	£223
16-18 Years	£260

Foster Carers Leave

Amounts shown in the table below are weekly amounts

	0 - 4	5 - 10	11 - 15	16 - 17
	£	£	£	£
Standard	4.09	4.09	4.09	4.09
Level 1	4.59	4.59	4.59	4.59
Level 2	7.69	7.69	7.69	7.69
Level 3	21.16	20.91	22.86	23.35

Day Care Rates

Age band	Up to 4 Hours				4 Hours and above			
	Standard Allowance	Level 1 payment, incl. fee	Level 2 payment, incl. fee	Level 3 payment, incl. fee	Standard Allowance	Level 1 payment, incl. fee	Level 2 payment, incl. fee	Level 3 payment, incl. fee
0-4	12.64	14.84	25.91	36.27	25.29	29.69	51.83	72.54
5-10	13.93	14.41	25.48	35.84	27.86	28.82	50.96	71.68
11-15	15.93	17.76	28.83	39.18	31.86	35.51	57.65	78.37
16-17	15.85	18.60	29.67	40.03	31.71	37.20	59.34	80.05

16 and 17 year old Young People

For young people (aged 16 & 17) in foster homes who have left school & young people unemployed or in full-time education (excluding youth training)	
Personal Allowance (per week)	£38.06

Mockingbird Model Hub Carer Payments

	Weekly Rate Payable
Fee Payment	£600.00
Activity Allowance	£50.00

Family Link

Period of care	Payment Rate
Up to 4 hours	£26.22
4 - 8 hours	£55.00
8 - 12 hours	£78.71
12 - 24 hours (overnight care)	£127.46

Parent and Child Scheme

	Weekly Rate Payable	Additional Allowances
Parent looked after - 16 + fostering allowance (additional parent if LAC paid at same rate) plus level 1 fee	£298.44	Birthday and religious festival allowance paid in line with all LAC
Non-LAC parent - lodgings plus meal allowance rate (additional parent if non-LAC paid at same rate)	£187.98	None
Child LAC - age related fostering allowance rate (additional children paid at same rate) plus level 1 fee	Variable according to child's age	Birthday and religious festival allowance paid in line with all LAC
Child non-LAC - fostering allowance rate (additional children paid at same rate) plus level 1 fee	Variable according to child's age	None
Professional fee/supervision of placement - 1 parent	£600.00	None
Additional parent supervision fee - where 2 parents in placement	£300.00	None

Supported Lodgings

Description	Per Night	Per Week
Lodgings element	£26.85	£187.98
Personal Allowance ^{1,2}	£4.24	£29.67
Clothing ³	£2.52	£17.63
Meal Allowance Where a young person is "Looked After" but has no Foster Carer, 3 rd meal allowance is paid direct to the landlord, who is responsible for paying the young person, or providing a good meal.	£4.06	£28.44

1. Includes weekly long term savings amount of £9.24.
2. Personal allowances tend to be paid directly to the young person but may in certain circumstances be paid via the carer.
3. The clothing allowance tends to be paid directly to the young person but may in certain circumstances be paid via the carer.

Other rates and allowances

Mileage rate	£0.45 per mile
Weekly Travel Allowance - 25 miles @ 0.45p (contained within standard fostering allowance)	£11.25
Discretionary Holiday Allowance (maximum per child, per annum)	£500
Educational Journey's & Holidays (maximum amount per child, per year)	£150
Maximum amounts for payment to support a new school uniform in mainstream and special schools: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Primary / Junior Schools• Secondary Schools	£50 £75
Babysitting – under 4 hrs Max.	£14.18
Babysitting – over 4 hrs, less than 12 hours Max.	£28.35
On Call Emergency Payment Fee (per night)	£15
Introduction Fee	£500
Fee for replacement end of year tax statement (per copy)	£25
Fee for printing and postage of replacement remittance (per copy)	£5