

Welfare Reform Report - September 2016

Under occupation rules - 25/09/2016

Summary – 14% reduction	
	No of Properties
Council tenants	1,328 (67%)
HA tenants	660 (33%)
Total	1,988

Summary – 25% reduction	
	No of Properties
Council tenants	301 (77%)
HA tenants	89 (23%)
Total	390

Summary – combined	
	No of Properties
Council tenants	1,629 (68%)
HA tenants	749 (32%)
Total	2,378

Number of transfer applicants affected and movement in quarterly periods – for Highland Housing Register: Jul 16

Number of applicants	% Movement since Qtr. 4 14/15	Number +
216	-4%	-10

Benefit Cap at 11/10/16

Landlord type where cap has been implemented	HB reduction per week						
	£0 - £19.99	£20 – £39.99	£40 - £59.99	£60 - £79.99	£80 - £99.99	£100 - £119.99	£120 - £139.99
Local Authority		1		2	1		1
Housing Association	4	1					
Private rent	2				1		

Housing Benefit Appeals

Number of appeals received with a comparison to the previous financial year			
July 2015 Appeals/Reconsiderations	0 / 49	July 2016 Appeals/Reconsiderations	0 / 38
August 2015 Appeals/Reconsiderations	0 / 42	August 2016 Appeals/Reconsiderations	0 / 53
September 2015 Appeals/Reconsiderations	0 / 46	September 2016 Appeals/Reconsiderations	0 / 41

Discretionary Housing Payments

	Qtr 1 2016/17 spend	Qtr 2 2016/17 spend	2016/17 YTD
Number of awards	4,572	817	5,389
Award Reasons			
Under Occupation:	4,451	772	5,223
Benefit Cap:	0	0	0
Other:	121	45	166
Total amount paid and awarded	£1,446,154	£73,553	£1,519,707

Scottish Welfare Fund

	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Year to date
Crisis Grant				
Application Approved	311	375	361	1,204
In month award total	£16,450	£24,880	£21,820	£109,575
Average CG award	£53	£66	£60	£57
Community Care Grant				
Application Approved	137	192	140	458
In month award	£38,904	£53,102	£54,387	£298,515
Average CCG award	£284	£277	£388	£324

FoodBank MI

Inverness & Nairn

Vouchers issued	Adults fed	Children fed	Total fed
508	598	194	792
Top 3 reasons why voucher issued: 1. Benefit delay 2. Low income 3. Other			

Data taken from Distributor report 1 January 2016 - 31 March 2016

Highland foodbanks (exc Inverness & Nairn)

Vouchers issued	Adults fed	Children fed	Total fed
361	514	203	717
Top 3 reasons why voucher issued: 1. Benefit delay 2. Low income 3. Other			

Data taken from available Distributors report 1 January 2016 - 31 March 2016

Inverness & Nairn

Vouchers issued	Adults fed	Children fed	Total fed
2,053			
Data provided 131016 for the period 1 January 2016 - 31 August 2016			

Highland foodbanks (exec Inv, (exec Inverness and Nairn)

Vouchers issued	Adults fed	Children fed	Total fed
737			
Data provided 131016 for the period 1 January 2016 - 31 August 2016			