

## APPLICATION FOR DISCRETIONARY COUNCIL TAX DISCOUNT FOR CARE LEAVERS

With effect from 1 April 2018, Barrow Borough Council has introduced a new discretionary discount for care leavers up to the age of 25 years. The level of discount will depend upon who lives in the property.

Part A – About you	
Your full name.	
Current address and post code	
Council Tax account number	
Date of Birth	/ /
Details of any previous properties where you were liable for Council Tax since 1 April 2018	
Email address	
Contact telephone	

## Part B – Further information

The term 'care leaver' is defined in The Children (Care Leavers) Act 2000 and refers to eligible, relevant and former relevant children:

- Eligible children are those young people aged 16-17 who are still in care and have been 'looked after' for a total of 13 weeks from the age of 14 and including their 16th birthday;
- Relevant children are those young people aged 16 and 17 who have already left care, and who were 'looked after' for at least 13 weeks from the age of 14 and have been 'looked after' at some time while they were 16 or 17;
- Former relevant children are those young people aged 18, 19 or 20 who have been eligible and/or relevant.

If you are a care leaver you will need to provide confirmation of your Care leaver status, this can be obtained from your personal advisor, based within the Children Services Department, Cumbria County Council, if you are a care leaver under a different Local Authority, please provide details below

Name of Local Authority

Please provide details of all adults living in the property (including yourself)

Full name	Relationship to you	Are they liable to pay council tax	Are they a care leaver	Are they a full time student	Are they severely mentally impaired

I understand the information provided will be used by the billing authority to determine if I am eligible for a discretionary discount for my Council Tax. I agree to you contacting the appropriate Children's Services to check the details provided.

I understand that I must notify the billing authority if there are any changes in my household that might affect the level of discount (e.g. if I gain or lose a partner, or if any adults move in or out of the property, or if any adults become or cease be a full time student, etc.)

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date	

## Returning your form by post

You can email your completed form to counciltax@barrowbc.gov.uk

Alternatively, if you are submitting your application by post, please send it to:

Barrow Borough Council Revenues Department Town Hall Duke Street Cumbria LA14 2LD

If you require any further advice or information, please contact us on 01229 404242