

## North Ayrshire

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### Local Housing Costs

Local housing costs can vary greatly across different parts of the local authority. These information (gathered September 2006) is for guidance only:

Council Rent average £45 per week for various sized properties  
Housing Association average £60 per week for various sized properties  
Private Let average £70 per week for a bedsit (but for a flat or house it could easily be minimum £400 per month).

### Local Waiting List Times

In most parts of Scotland there is a waiting list for council and/or housing association accommodation. Waiting times can vary according to many factors. The following information (gathered September 2006) is for guidance only:

Council - an individual could wait between 3 and 5 years for a property, although people could wait longer than this. For a young person aged 16 applying with no issues, the wait could be a considerable amount of time. The waiting time will be reduced for people with specific needs.  
Housing Association - you could wait on average between 5 and 7 years. The situation is similar to council housing.

### Local Projects for Young People

The following projects may be able to help young people who are thinking about / preparing for leaving home at an early age.

Community Housing Advocacy Project (CHAP) helps individuals from 16 years plus in North Ayrshire with a homelessness or housing issues. Contact details as above.  
Local Citizens Advice Bureaus also provide help.