

Stirling

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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 approx £46.50 per week.
Housing Association £52 per week.

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:

Properties are allocated according to housing need. Single people who are homeless would wait about 12 months before being offered housing. Single people waiting on the registration (not homeless) list would wait over five years for an offer. In less popular areas it would be less. Similarly, if a person has lots of medical needs or is in a badly overcrowded situation they will have a shorter wait.

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.

Compass Homlessness Worker
Springkerse House
5 Springkerse Road
Stirling FK7 7TE
Tel. 01786 432 400

Provides support and information to young people aged up to 25 years, either presenting as homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Will work with young people on an individual basis to help them to address the issues that make them homeless, or at risk. Will also provide awareness raising sessions to give information to groups.

Compass Tenancy Support
The Steeple
65 King Street
Stirling FK8 1DT
Tel. 01786 432 211

Provides support and information to young people up to 25 years who are in their own tenancy to prevent risk of them becoming homeless. Assistance is provided with; understanding of responsibilities and rights of the tenancy agreement, advocating for the young person, budgeting, paying bills, cooking, cleaning, decorating, etc.

Infotxt

Infotxt responds to housing related enquiries on a 24/7 basis providing specialised housing information by text directly to young people's mobile phones. The service is open to young people up to 25 years of age.

Text "house" followed by the text enquiry to: 07717 996 884. Normal rates apply.

Stirling Young Scot

www.youngscot.org/stirling

Municipal Buildings

8-10 Corn Exchange Road

Stirling FK8 2HU

Tel. 01786 432 258

Email. stirlingyoungscot@stirling.gov.uk

Stirling Young Scot provides information to young people up to the age of 25 years on a variety of housing related topics including:

- finding accommodation
- moving in and living in your own place
- fire safety and prevention
- housing benefit and council tax benefit
- buying a property and home repairs
- homelessness in Scotland useful publications

The Bridge

55-57 Lower Bridge Street

Stirling FK7 7RL

Tel. 01786 448 633

The Bridge provides independent confidential advice and information for young people aged 16 to 25 years. Assistance can be provided with:

- applying for housing when homeless
- applications to all providers of housing in the Stirling area
- housing problems such as rent arrears, repairs, illegal eviction
- benefit advice and grant applications
- assistance when tenancy secured and setting up home.