Decision Notice Explained

Weekly Benefit award

'Award' means what we can pay you. This is the amount of benefit you'll get before any deductions.

Net Benefit Payable

This is the weekly amount of benefit you'll get.

Weekly gross rent / Council

This is the total amount of rent/council tax that your benefit is based on.

Weekly ineligible service charges

This amount is for services included in your rent, which we cannot pay for like fuel charges, water rates.

This will be paid on _

This is the date the amount leaves our account. The money will go into your account within four working days of the payment date.

Your weekly earned income.

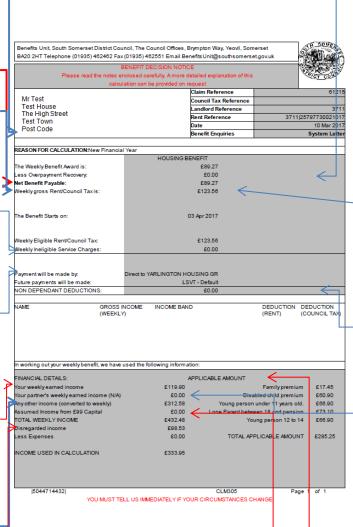
Your earnings shown as a weekly figure after deductions for tax, National Insurance and half of any pension contribution.

Any other income.

This means all other types of income, including tax credits, child benefit, state benefits, private pensions. They're added together and shown here.

Disregarded income

We ignore some income when we work out your benefit, for example disability living allowance, child benefit, attendance allowance, maintenance.



Overpayment Recovery

If you have an overpayment of housing benefit, we may recover this from your ongoing entitlement. The amount shown is the weekly amount we're taking from your housing benefit entitlement.

Amount you must pay weekly

If you're a council tenant, this is the amount of rent you need to pay from the date the benefit starts on.

Weekly eligible rent/council tax

This is the amount of rent/council tax that we take in to account when working out how much benefit you're entitled to.

Non-dependant deductions

This is money taken off your benefit because you have other adults, apart from your partner living in your home.

Your partner's weekly earned income

Your partner's earnings shown as a weekly figure after deductions for tax, National Insurance and half of any pension contribution.

Applicable amount

This is the figure that we must use as the amount needed for day-to-day living expenses. It's dependent upon your household circumstances.

Assumed income

We must assume you have an income from money in bank accounts, savings or investments.

The amounts we have to assume are fixed, and based in your total savings and capital.