Local Council Services

Your local council delivers a wide range of services for people facing the prospect of unemployment.

**Advice** - Consumer, debt, welfare rights and benefits, reducing your fuel bills, housing benefits and council tax.

**Housing** - Housing services, council bills, rent, council tax arrears, housing benefit.

**Adult and Community Education** - Classes in a wide range of subjects including help with reading, writing and numbers (includes adult guidance services and jobseeking skills).

**Jobs** - Your local council employs people in a vast range of occupations and services and is happy to discuss employment opportunities with you.

**Libraries** - Photocopying, access to newspapers and magazines for job search, computers for public use, access to Open Learning, access to the internet.

**Community Social Services** - Support services for families in crisis, mental health issues, addiction, dependant care, disability, etc.

**Business Advice** - How to become self-employed, start up your own business, support for business planning.

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