

Personal Transport Budgets

An alternative way to travel



Leicester
City Council

What is a Personal Transport Budget?

A PTB is a flexible monthly payment that can be used to assist your child or young person travelling to school

PTB allows you more choice and control over how transport is arranged

PTB can be tailored to suit your child and family

It can be spent how you like providing your child arrives at school, on time, ready for the day via a suitable and safe mode of travel.

What are the benefits?

Your child may be more relaxed being transported by someone close or familiar to them

Opportunity to meet your child's teachers and other parents more often

Enable your child to attend breakfast and after school clubs

Easier to attend appointments, visit friends and partake in activities straight after school

May result in a shorter journey time

PTB could be used in a way that supports independence and personal development





How can I use the PTB?

- Driving your child to school in your own vehicle
- Paying for wear and tear
- Pooling budgets together with other parents to pay for transport services
- Buying bicycles
- To be more sustainable
- To assist with independent travelling
- Paying for a bus pass
- Towards driving lessons
- Paying for another child's care while you assist your eligible child to school

How much PTB will I receive?



A fixed payment of £500



Plus, a mileage rate of 45p x 4 trips per day



The amount will be determined by the number of days traveling per week x the distance from your child's home to school

For example, if the distance was 5 miles...



Fixed rate of £500



5 miles x 45p x 4 trips = £9



£9 x 190 school days = £1710



Fixed rate + mileage



PTB = £2210



12 monthly payments of £185

What are my obligations?



You will be responsible for getting your eligible child to school via a suitable and safe mode of travel



You will be responsible for managing the budget (unless you opt to be referred to direct payment support services)



The LA's obligations

- The LA will be responsible for monitoring your child's attendance
- To do this the LA will monitor attendance quarterly
- The LA will review the offer each year to make sure everyone is happy with the arrangements
- We understand many children and young people with SEND may be absent from school for a variety of reasons, therefore we will only be concerned with unauthorised absences.

What if I take a PTB but it is not working for my child or my family?

- The LA will need 28 days' notice to stop the direct payments and rearrange an alternative mode of transport such as a taxi or mini-bus



How do I apply?

Register	You can register your interest now at Personaltransportbudget@leicester.gov.uk or call 0116 4544710
Visit	Visit our Local offer website which will include the full terms and conditions of our PTB offer
Agree	You will be able to sign up on the website via an electronic agreement or alternatively we can email or post you the agreement.