

What Direct Payments cannot be used for.

There are very few limitations, reflecting the philosophy of Direct Payments as a means of increasing choice, independence and control.

However you cannot use them to:

- Purchase council services
- Pay for long-term residential care
- Employ your partner or close relative if you are both living in the same household unless previously agreed, in writing, by the Council. This will only be done if the Council believe that it is the best way to meet your support needs.
- Buy any service that does not meet your assessed need as stated on your care plan.

If you are in doubt about what you can use your Direct Payment for then please contact the Direct Payments Team at DASL who will be happy to advise you.