



money

Dosh supports people with a learning disability with their money in lots of different ways.



check

One way we can support you is with a money check once a year. This is for people we do not support regularly.

How does a money check work?



questions

1. We will ask you and your circle of support some questions about your money.



document

2. We will look at records and information about your money, like benefit letters and bank statements.



report

3. We will write a report for you. It will tell you what we have checked and tell you what else you could do.



next year

4. We can do this check every year.

Who is it for?



People who are not supported by Dosh yet, including:



independent

- people who manage their own money.



appointee

- people who have an Appointee, Deputy, Guardian or Attorney who supports them with their money.

What will Dosh do?



Dosh will check your benefits.

- We will do a welfare benefit assessment to check your current benefits and tell you what benefits you should be getting.
- We will check if your savings are above the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) limits for getting some benefits.



Dosh will check your bills.

- We will make sure that you are paying all your utility bills, like your electricity, gas and water bills.
- If you share your bills with other people in your house, we will check that there is an agreement saying how much everyone should pay.
- We will review your Motability or lease vehicle agreement and make sure that there is an agreement between people who share the car.



Dosh will support you to take control of your money.

- We will check how you are involved in decisions about your money.
- We will check your money plan or budget.



spend

Dosh will check your spending.

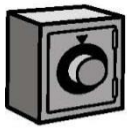
- We will check if you have enough money to do the things you want.
- We will check that any money you pay towards your care (for example because of fairer charging) is right. If it is wrong, we will advise you how to appeal it. This could be because the Local Authority has the wrong information about how much money you have.
- If you have an Individual Budget or Individual Service Fund, we can review this against your Support Plan.



safe

Dosh will check that your money is safe.

- We will do a Financial Profile to check what support you need with your money.
- We will do a Financial Risk Assessment to check for any risks for your money. We will suggest what you can do about them.
- We will check that those who support you with your money have clear records of how they have spent your money and procedures to monitor this.
- We will check that you have the insurance you need, for example contents insurance for the things you own.
- We will check that there is an up-to-date list (an inventory) of everything you own.



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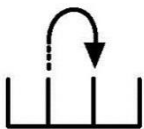
- We will check that you have access to your money, pass book, bank card and PIN number.
- We will check that your money is only spent on what you want. This includes checking that your benefits and the money in your bank accounts are used properly.



cost

How much does it cost?

It will cost £120 (£100 + VAT) for us to do this check for you. If you decide after the check that you want Dosh to keep supporting you, you will get the first 8 weeks of support for free.



next

What should I do next?

If you would like Dosh to do a money check for you, you can:



contact

- call us on 0300 303 1288
- e-mail us on info@dosh.org
- visit www.dosh.org to find out more about Dosh.