

Welfare Reform Timeline

Benefit (pre)		Benefit (post)		Timescale	Notes
Name	Administration	Name	Administration		
Housing Benefit/Local Housing Allowance	Local Authorities	Housing Benefit/Local Housing Allowance	Department for Work and Pensions	October 2013 - October 2017	*In line with introduction of Universal Credit *New claims for out of work people Oct 13 - Apr 14 *New claims for working people Apr 14 on *Existing claims transfer Oct 13 - Oct 17 *Pensioners claims transferred to modified Pension Credit (inc. Housing Credit) Oct 14 - Oct 17
Social Fund - CCG's and CL's	Department for Work and Pensions	Welfare Assistance Scheme	Local Authorities	April 2013	*Localisation
Council Tax Benefit	Department for Work and Pensions	Council Tax Support Scheme	Local Authorities	April 2013	*Localisation
Disability Living Allowance	Department for Work and Pensions	Personal Independence Payments	Department for Work and Pensions	April 2013 - March 2016	*No automatic transfer *DLA ends - applicant must contact DWP to make new claim for PIP
Incapacity Benefit	Department for Work and Pensions	Employment and Support Allowance	Department for Work and Pensions	October 2008 - March 2014	*Already underway *Unlikely to be completed in March 2014
n/a	n/a	Benefit Cap	Local Authorities initially then Department of Work and Pensions	April 2013 - March 2017	*Applied through Housing Benefit *Timescale in line with transfer of Housing Benefit
n/a	n/a	Universal Credit	Department for Work and Pensions	October 2013 - March 2017	*New claims for out of work people Oct 13 - Apr 14 *New claims for working people Apr 14 on *Existing claims transfer Oct 13 - Oct 17