# Barking and Dagenham's current standard fostering allowance

|                    | 0 – 4   | 5 – 10   | 11+     |
|--------------------|---------|----------|---------|
| Foster carer fee,  |         |          |         |
| incl. general      | £250.00 | £300.00  | £350.00 |
| maintenance        |         |          |         |
| Pocket money       | £2.50   | £7.00    | £16.50  |
| Clothing           | £16.00  | £20.00   | £24.00  |
| Transport          | £15.50  | £15.50   | £15.50  |
| Education          | £5.50   | £11.00   | £20.50  |
| Hobbies            | £5.50   | £11.00   | £18.00  |
| Child savings      | £0.00   | £10.00   | £10.00  |
| Core costs         | £295.00 | £374.50  | £454.50 |
| (Internal savings) | £0.00   | - £10.00 | £-10.00 |
| Total allowance    | £295.00 | £364.50  | £444.50 |
| payable to carer   |         |          |         |

## Barking and Dagenham's current holiday, birthday, and festival allowance

### Allowance:

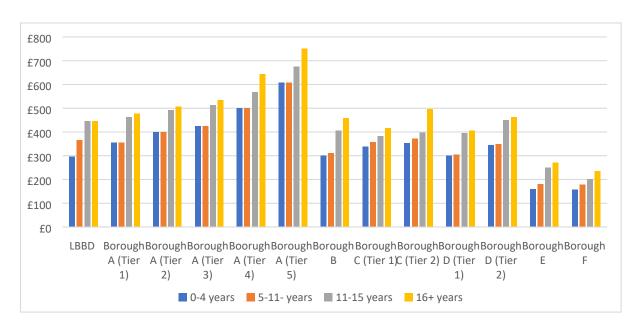
Holiday: £200 (0-18 years)

Birthday: £50 (0-18 years)

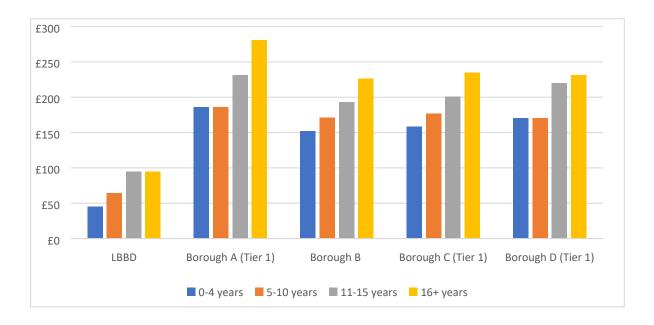
Festival: £50 (0-18 years)

### London borough fostering rates benchmarking

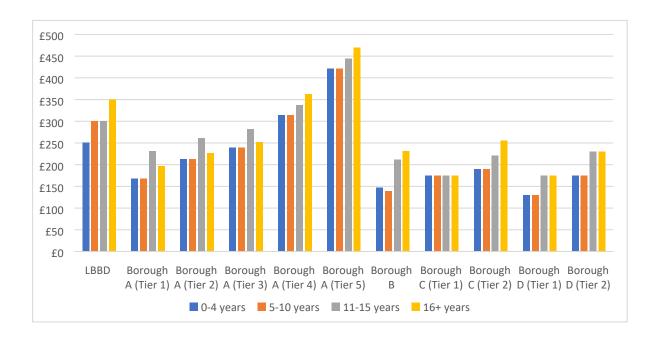
#### 3.1 Neighbouring borough weekly fostering rate



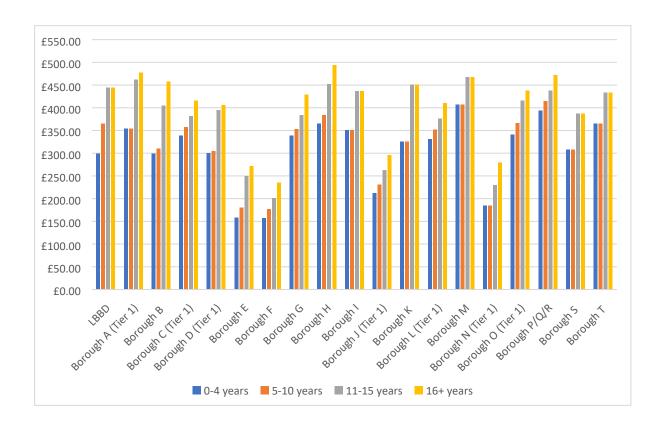
### 3.2 Neighbouring borough weekly allowance per child



### 3.3 Neighbouring borough's weekly professional carer fee (2021)



#### 3.4 Wider London borough's weekly fostering rate (2021)



# **Current fostering allowance and proposed increase:**

| 0-4 Years  | Current allowance | Suggested increase | % increase | Proposed figure |
|------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|
| Tier 1     |                   | £59                | 18.18%     | £354            |
| Tier 2     |                   | £104               | 29.97%     | £399            |
| Tier 3     | £295              | £130               | 36.11%     | £425            |
| Tier 4     |                   | £205               | 51.57%     | £500            |
| Tier 5     |                   | £312               | 69.18%     | £607            |
| 5-10 Years |                   |                    |            |                 |
| Tier 1     |                   | -£10.50            | -2.92%     | £354            |
| Tier 2     | £364.50           | £34.50             | 9.04%      | £399            |
| Tier 3     |                   | £60.50             | 15.33%     | £425            |
| Tier 4     |                   | £135.50            | 31.35%     | £500            |
| Tier 5     |                   | £242.50            | 39.92%     | £607            |
| 11+ Years  |                   |                    |            |                 |
| Tier 1     |                   | £25                | 5.47%      | £469.50         |
| Tier 2     |                   | £55                | 11.65%     | £499.50         |
| Tier 3     | £444.50           | £78.50             | 16.23%     | £523            |
| Tier 4     |                   | £161               | 30.66%     | £605.50         |
| Tier 5     |                   | £268               | 46.33%     | £712.50         |

# Current holiday, birthday and festival allowance and proposed increase

|            | Current<br>Allowance | Suggested Increase | % Increase | Proposed<br>Figure |
|------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Holiday    |                      |                    |            |                    |
| 0-4 years  |                      | £30                | 13.95%     | £230               |
| 5-10 years | £200                 | £75                | 31.58%     | £275               |
| 11+ years  |                      | £120               | 46.15%     | £320               |
| Birthday   |                      |                    |            |                    |
| 0-4 years  |                      | -                  | -          | £50                |
| 5-10 years | £50                  | £50                | 50%        | £100               |
| 11+ years  |                      | £75                | 85.71%     | £125               |
| Festival   |                      |                    |            |                    |
| 0-4 years  |                      | -                  | -          | £50                |
| 5-10 years | £50                  | £50                | 50%        | £100               |
| 11+ years  |                      | £75                | 85.71%     | £125               |

# Current fostering rate and proposed rates aligned to inflation

|   | Age 0 – 4 | Age 5 – 10 | Age 11 – 18 |
|---|-----------|------------|-------------|
| Child's element of the rate   | £45.00    | £64.50     | £94.50      |
| Inflation increase on<br>child's element of<br>the rate (RPI Dec<br>2021- 7.5%) | £48.38    | £69.34     | £101.59     |
| Carer's element of the rate   | £250.00   | £300.00    | £350.00     |
| Inflation increase on<br>carers element of<br>the rate (CPI Dec<br>2021 -4.8%)  | £262.00   | £314.40    | £366.80     |
| -   | _         | _          | _           |
| Total uplift  | £15.38    | £19.24     | £23.89      |
| Percentage uplift   | 5.08%     | 5.1%       | 5.2%        |
| New proposed rates  | £310.38   | £383.74    | £468.39     |