

# To remove the Work Related Activity Component for new Employment and Support Allowance claimants

- From April 2017, all new claimants of Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) who fell within the Work Related Activity Group (WRAG) no longer received the work related activity component within the calculation of their ESA or Housing Benefit (HB) claim.
- Three of the four district and borough councils amended their Council Tax Support schemes to mirror the ESA and HB scheme. Corby Borough Council (CBC) did not change their scheme.
- Existing Council Tax Support ESA WRAG claimants are not be affected by this change, only new CTS claimants.
- We are not able to forecast the impact on CBC claimants, this is because we cannot predict how many new Council Tax Support claimants are likely to claim ESA and be placed in the WRAG during 2021/22.