

## **2 FOSTERING ALLOWANCES 2007/2008 (AN100-2007)**

It is recommended that the undernoted rates for 2007/08 are paid, with effect from 2nd April, 2007:-

### **Carers Fees (Weekly)**

These fees, as agreed by the Social Work Committee, are linked to the APT & C pay scales:-

	£
ACE; Alternative Community Experience - point 35	532.98
Fee	138.21

### **Adoption Allowances (Weekly)**

It is recommended that Adoption Age Allowances are increased in line with the 2.5% increase to APT&C pay scales: -

	£
Age Allowance 00-04	77.00
Age Allowance 05-10	87.77
Age Allowance 11-15	109.23
Age Allowance 16-18	139.35

### **Link and Residence Allowances**

The amount paid is the equivalent of income support rates. It is recommended that these allowances are increased in line with increase in income support rates.

### **Fostering Allowances**

In 2006/07 the principle of linking fostering allowances to the Fostering Network Rate was agreed. In line with this principle, it is recommended that the rates for 2007/08 be set at 78% of the fostering Network rate, as follows:-

	£
Age Allowance 00-04	92.78
Age Allowance 05-10	105.69
Age Allowance 11-15	131.57
Age Allowance 16-18	160.01

### **All Other Allowances**

With the exception of bus passes, it is recommended that these remain unchanged for 2007/08, as shown below: -

	2007/08
Custody Age Allowance 05-10	£77.72 per week
Custody Age Allowance 11-15	£96.75 per week
Nappies	£6.25 per week
Night Nappies	£3.13 per week
Multi Placement (Allowance Carers)	£8.00 per week
Mileage	34p per mile
Adult Bus Pass	£18.50 per fortnight
Child Bus Pass	£9.35 per fortnight