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## **Labour councillors launch Help with the Cost of Living Booklet**

Bexley's Labour Group of councillors have launched a cost of living information booklet to assist residents, businesses and voluntary groups in supporting residents who are seeking assistance due to the current cost of living crisis.

The booklet outlines information available from both national and local organisations to assist people in a range of ways regarding financial support, energy costs, food and groceries, childcare costs, housing costs, support from the local voluntary sector and within the work place.

Cllr Daniel Francis, Shadow Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Services said "It has been clear to me through conversations with groups in the voluntary sector, that there was a growing need to collate financial signposting advice of both national and local organisations in one place. The creation of this information booklet to support residents has been a team effort from Bexley's Labour Councillors to provide virtual assistance through this crisis."

Cllr Stefano Borella, Leader of the Labour Group said "Many residents across Bexley have had to make difficult choices to eat or heat their homes, and the cost-of living booklet contains helpful information in one place to help residents who don't know whom to turn to. I hope residents find the information helpful and as ever they can get in touch with their Labour Councillors who are always happy to help."

The cost of living booklet can be downloaded from <https://www.bexleylabour.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/513/2023/01/Bexley-Cost-of-Living.pdf-small.pdf> or hard copies can be made to residents or voluntary groups.