



Applying to University

Parents Information Evening
Monday 18th March 2019

Welcome, please find a seat.

Welcome

- ▶ Introduction to this evening
 - ▶ Liz Dudin, The Ladies' College
- ▶ Why go to University?
 - ▶ Alex, Lancaster University
- ▶ Further Information
 - Joel Conner, Elizabeth College
 - Liz Dudin, The Ladies' College
- ▶ Funding your son/daughter's Higher Education
 - ▶ Charlie Cottam, Elizabeth College

Purpose of this evening

- ▶ Give all parents and students the information to make an informed choice about university
- ▶ Would like you to have an open mind
- ▶ Update you with trends of what is happening with Universities in Britain
- ▶ Provide more specific information about tomorrow's Higher Education Convention



Why apply to University?

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Further Information

Joel Conner, Elizabeth College

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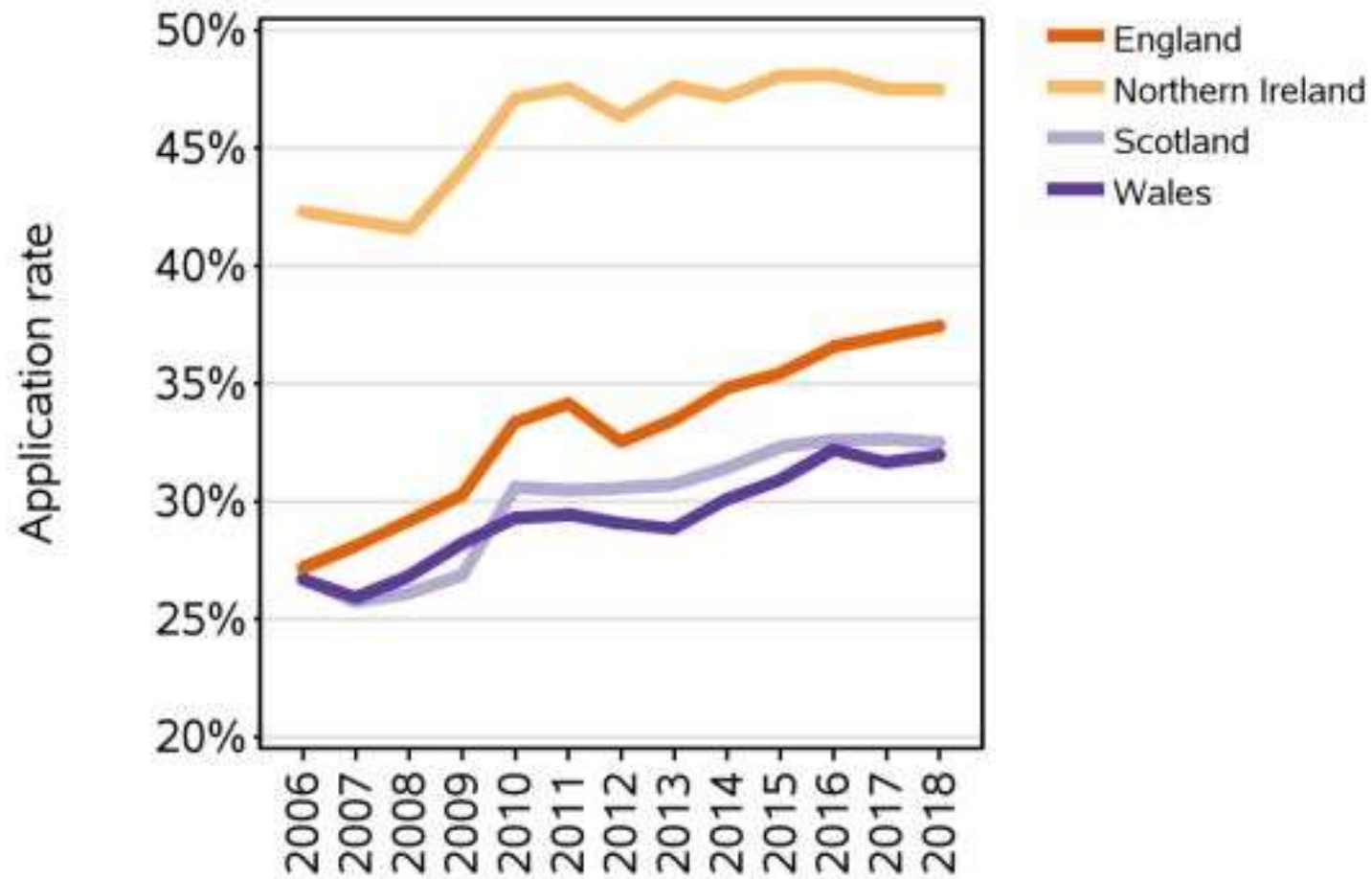
The current climate!

Admissions themes for the 2018 cycle



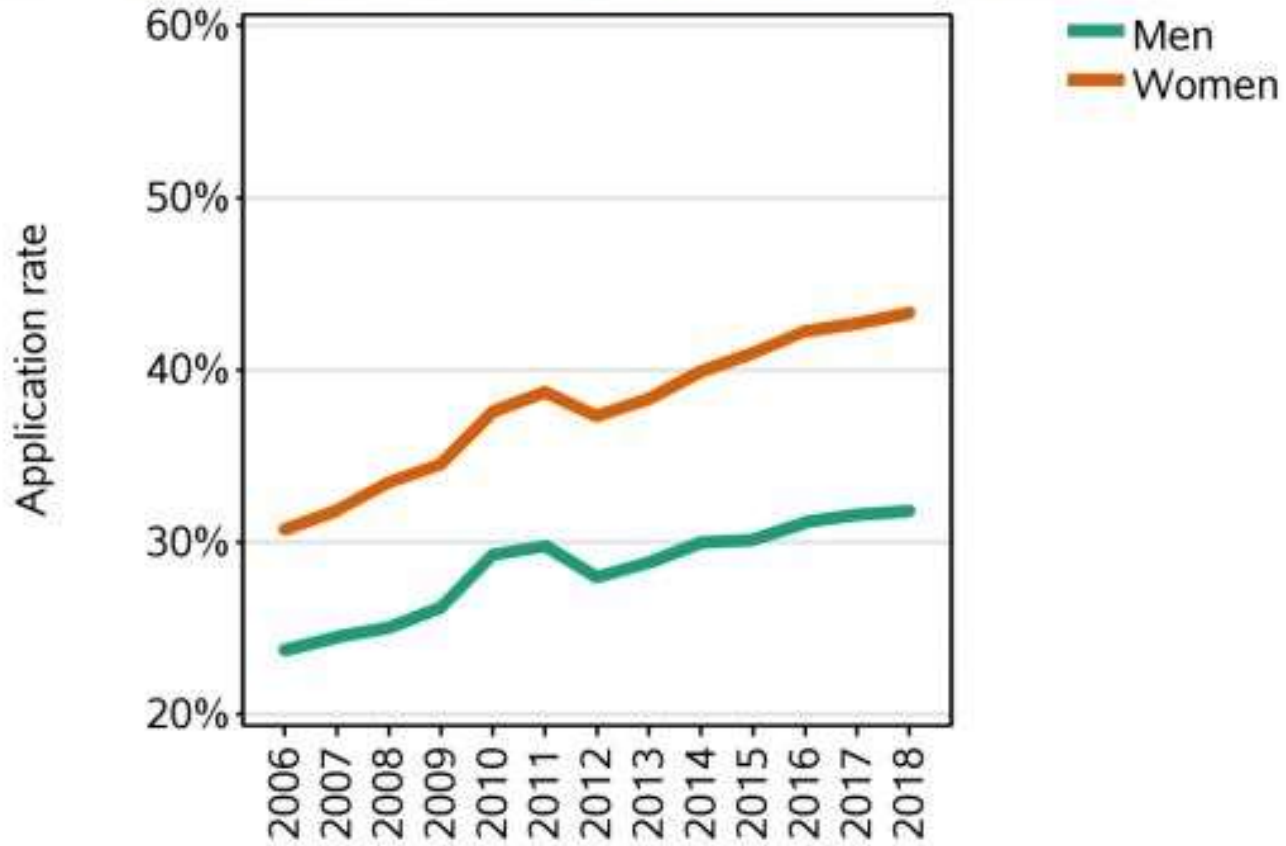
Application and entry rates for UK 18 year olds by country to University

Figure 1 January deadline application rates for 18 year olds by country

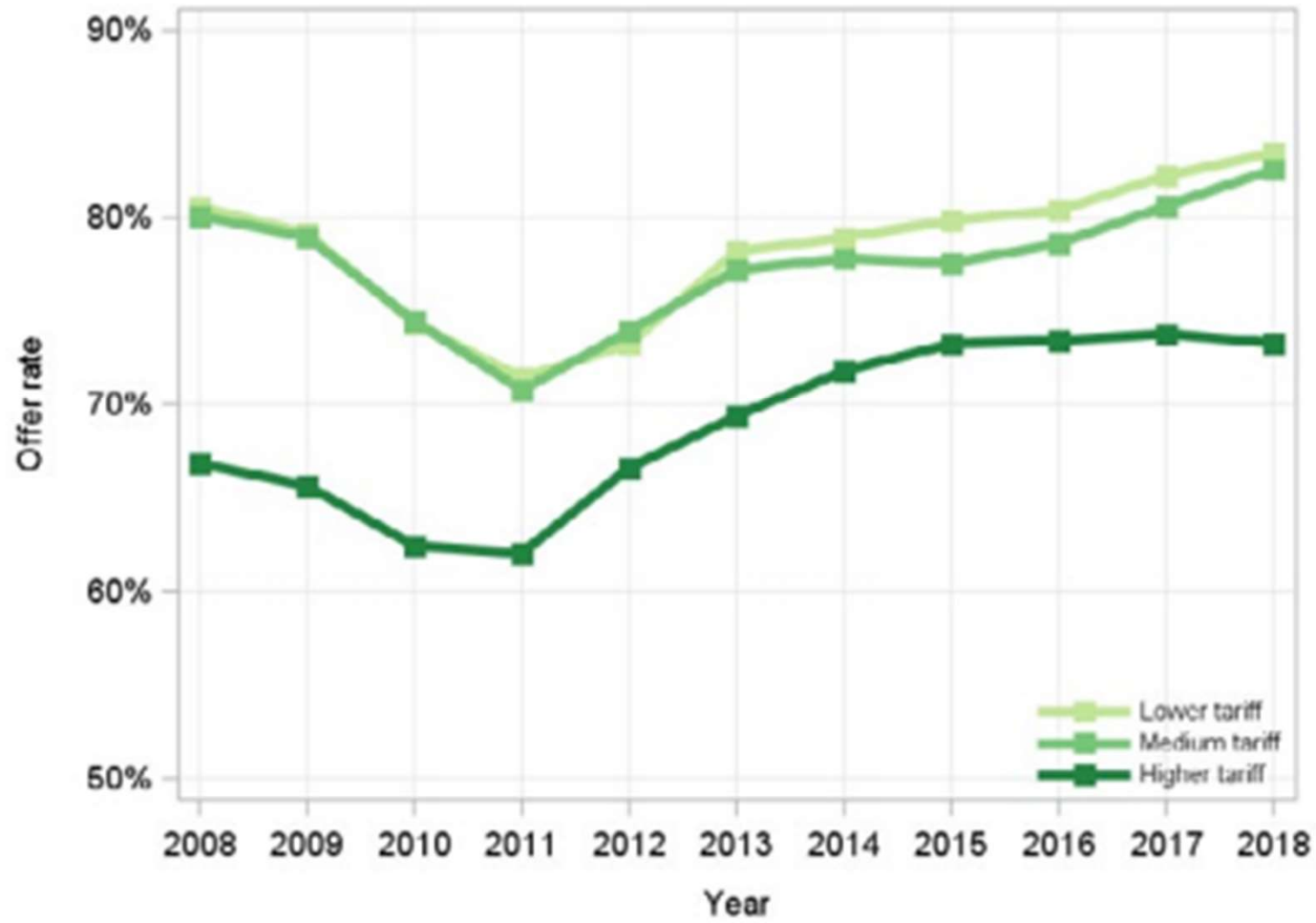


Application and entry rates of 18 year olds from England by sex to University

Figure 9 January deadline application rates of 18 year olds from England by sex



Offer rate for main scheme applications by provider tariff band for 18-year-old UK applicants



Number of Applications

You can apply to 5 University courses

Medicine or Veterinary courses: 4 main choices (plus one 'insurance' choice)

You can apply to the same University more than once – different courses

Final options

Once offers are received you will have to choose a Firm (1st choice) and Insurance (2nd choice) place.

You should be prepared to attend either of the universities you select.

Times are
Changing!



Unconditional Offers

This is when a university offers you a spot on a course regardless of the final grades you achieve.

2013, unconditional = 0.4% of all offers.

2018, unconditional = 7.1% of all offers.

More than a fifth of 2018 applicants (22.9%), received at least one unconditional offer – a rise of 29% on 2017.

Accept with caution!

Takes pressure off

BUT

- Grades stick with you for the rest of your life .
- The work you are doing now is preparation for what you can expect to be doing at University.
- Can be a financial incentive for achieving top grades such as AAB or above!

What should I do if I get an Unconditional Offer?

- **Don't rush your decision:** wait until you've received all your offers. You don't need to decide until May 2020!
- **Review all your options:** revisit all your courses and university options, consider them equally. Perhaps take a trip to see them again, in person.
- **Weigh up that guaranteed offer:** if you really had your heart set on a different university, don't move on from that 'first love' yet, just because they're proving a little harder to get.
- **Accepting an unconditional offer:** you are committing to go to that university. So you can't select an insurance choice or enter Clearing

SPEAK TO STAFF AND GET THEIR ADVICE!

UCAS Tariff points

A level

Grade Tariff points

A*	56
A	48
B	40
C	32
D	24
E	16

EPQ

Grade Tariff points

A*	28
A	24
B	20
C	16
D	12
E	8

Music & Dance Grade 6 and above are also worth points!

- The UCAS Tariff is a way of measuring the relative value of all post-16 qualifications in the UK
- Russell Group institutions do not express entry criteria or offers as UCAS Tariff points, however other institutions may do so

<https://www.ucas.com/ucas/tariff-calculator>

Teaching and Excellence Framework (TEF)

- Be aware that Universities in **England** are now categorised as Gold, Silver or Bronze
- The new ratings form part of the government's teaching excellence framework(TEF)
- Be aware bronze will go to universities where “provision is of satisfactory quality ... however, the provider is likely to be significantly below benchmark in one or more areas.”
- **Some surprises**
- From 2019/20, TEF will be assessed, and ratings will be published, at both subject and university or college-level.

League table information:

The detail of the data and calculations used within each of the different university league tables varies both from table to table and over time. The following overview of the metrics used by the *Guardian*, *The Times & Sunday Times*, and the *Complete University Guide* refers to the 2018 versions.

Guardian	The Times & Sunday Times	Complete University Guide
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entry qualifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student satisfaction: • Satisfied overall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Satisfied with teaching • Satisfied with feedback • Student : staff ratio • Value-added score • Graduate careers • Spend per student 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entry qualifications • Student satisfaction: • Student experience • Teaching quality • Student : staff ratio • Completion • Degree classifications • Graduate careers • Research quality • Services and facilities spend per student 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entry qualifications • Student satisfaction • Student : staff ratio • Completion • Degree classifications • Graduate careers • Research quality • Research intensity • Academic services spend per student • Facilities spend per student

Applying to University 2020 Entry

- ▶ **May 2019** UCAS apply goes online
- ▶ **17 June 2019** UCAS day for both Colleges
- ▶ **28 June 2019** Winchester & Southampton Uni visit.
- ▶ **Summer 2019** You encouraged to attend open days
- ▶ **1 Sept 2019** UCAS begins accepting applications
- ▶ **15 Oct 2019** Closing date for Oxbridge, Medics & Vets
- ▶ **End Nov 2019** Internal LC & EC deadlines
- ▶ **15 Jan 2020** UCAS Applications official deadline
- ▶ **25 Feb 2020** UCAS extra begins for eligible students
- ▶ **2 May 2020** Deadline deciding on Firm & Insurance
- ▶ **13 August 2020** Exam Results! Places confirmed/clearing
- ▶ **End Sept 2020** Higher Education term begins

HE Convention tomorrow

- Subject talks start from 1.00pm.
- Please make sure you sign in on arrival.
LC students to meet Miss Dudin 12.45pm in Sixth Form Centre
- The convention is open from **1.00pm to 4.00pm** at The Grammar and Sixth Form College
- Parents are welcome to attend the convention but they are not able to attend the individual subject talks.

HE Convention tomorrow

Information from individual universities

- ▶ Who are their current students?
- ▶ Accommodation, bursaries and living costs?
- ▶ Applying, interviews and offers?
- ▶ Specific course related questions?
- ▶ Get a feel for things

Information about specific subjects

- ▶ From the subject talks you have signed up for

HE Convention tomorrow

The many alternatives:

- Guernsey Careers Service
- Guernsey College of Further Education
- Careers and Skills Show
- Institute of Health and Social Care
- Anglo European College of Chiropractic
- GTA
- University of Caen
- Projects Abroad
- Student Finance

The future

- ▶ Both Colleges have work experience week during w/b 10th June
- ▶ UCAS day (17th June) - given further information about personal statements.
- ▶ Start research and save as you go!
- ▶ Get in school advice from your Careers Staff, Heads of Year, Tutors, Subject Teachers
- ▶ Get reading about and around your subject
- ▶ Books: Times University Guide, HEAP, Guardian...
- ▶ Research when Open Days are
- ▶ Ask former students
- ▶ **Good luck - remember this is your future & you need to spend time doing the research!**

UCAS Parent Guide

<https://www.ucas.com/connect/videos/ucas?v=/parents-guide-ucas>



Funding for University

Charlie Cottam, Elizabeth College

Costs of Higher Education

Maintenance Expenses and Tuition Fees

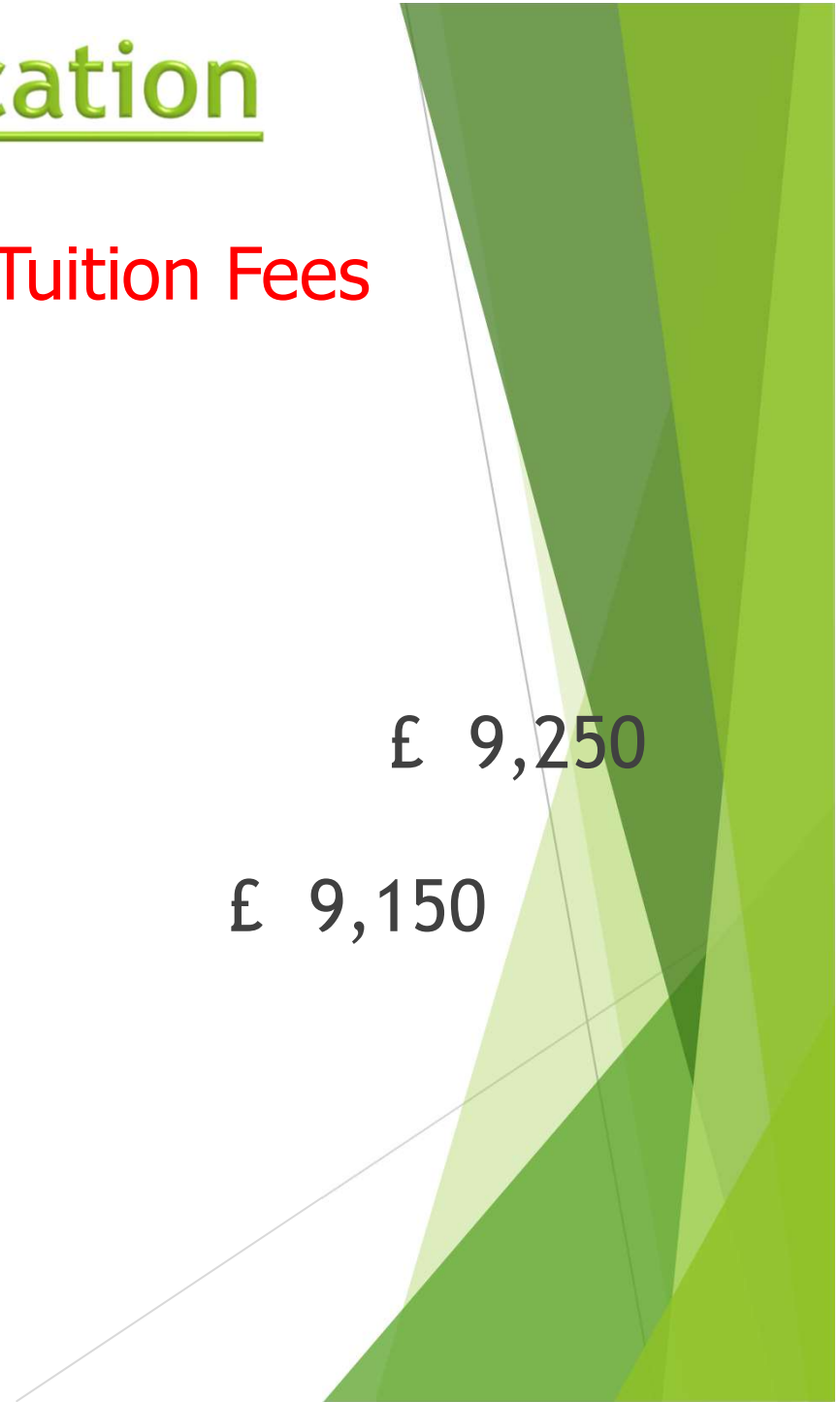
Tuition Fees

All subjects apart from
Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary
and other healthcare courses

£ 9,250

BUT maximum anyone pays is

£ 9,150



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NO STUDENT LOANS!

Costs of Higher Education

Maintenance Expenses and Tuition Fees

Maintenance Expenses (2018/2019)

Living Costs

In London £7,923 (for 31 weeks =
 £255.58 per week)

Elsewhere £6,508 (for 31 weeks =
 £209.94 per week)

Travel (Guernsey - UK), 3 return trips

South of England £462

Rest of UK £576

The Future

- ▶ Guernsey, Jersey and IOM have negotiated 'home' fees (approximately £9,250) with most universities. Exceptions are Cambridge, and Imperial College.
- ▶ From September 2013 Cambridge College fees, currently about £6500-7,000, have been assessed for parental contribution.
- ▶ The States debated student grants/loans again in March 2014 and agreed this structure

Costs of Higher Education

How it works

The parental contribution is assessed against the **GROSS** parental income - the students' income from holiday jobs or work whilst at university, or from any bursaries is **NOT** taken into account (unless the latter is more than £3,950)

£38,224 is subtracted from the gross total; the balance is called the 'residual'.

This 'residual' is then divided by 4

This is then the parental contribution

Costs of Higher Education

How it works

Total gross parental income:	£80,000.00
	<u>£38,224.00</u> -
Residual:	£41,776.00 / 4 =
Parental contribution:	£10,444.00

This is initially assessed against the maintenance & travel total of £7,084, leaving a balance of:

£3,360.00

which would go towards tuition fees, leaving
Education to pay £9,250 - £3,360.00 =
£5,890

Costs of Higher Education

How it works

Total gross parental income: £40,000.00

£38,224.00 -

Residual: £ 1,776.00 / 4 =

Parental contribution: £ 444.00

This is initially assessed against the maintenance & travel total of £7,084 leaving a balance of:

£6,640

to be paid by Education and

Education to pay £9,250 tuition fees, making a total grant of:

£16,140

Costs of Higher Education

How it works

The maximum parental contribution towards **fees** is £9,150 (ie everyone gets £100!)

Thus:

Fees contribution:	£	9150
Maintenance & Travel:	£	<u>7,084</u>
Maximum Parental contribution:	£	16,234
No grant if parental income is over:		<u>4x</u>
	£	64,936
	£	<u>38,224</u>
	£	103,160

Costs of Higher Education

How it works

There is also a further assessed contribution where the parents hold capital assets in excess of £100,000; this is assessed at 2.1%

There are further allowances if more than one child at university and for additional dependent children (about £4,000 per child, dependent on age), single parents etc.

If in doubt - telephone Education and speak to them - they are actually very helpful!

- **Time for questions...**