



Financial
health &
wellbeing



Support for life

Ben helped Ruth to become financially secure

Ruth approached Ben for help with buying a washing machine. She suffers from diabetes, incontinence and memory problems, which is suspected to be the onset of dementia. She had a limited income from her pension and pension credits and had been in contact with us before about financial difficulties.



Ben visited Ruth at home and helped her maximise her income by making a claim for Attendance Allowance and she was awarded a higher rate. This then triggered the severe disability element of her pension credits and, as a result, her income was increased by £641 per month until 2018.

Ruth also received a one-off payment of £329 from Attendance Allowance as a back payment, meaning she was able to afford to buy her washing machine and didn't need financial assistance from Ben.

By maximising Ruth's income, Ben helped her to become financially secure and she is leading a more independent life.

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