

December 2024 – Best Start Theme: Debt advice, financial resilience and housing				
	Date to post	Theme	Final CANVA Created images	Text for post
1	2.12.24.	Financial Resilience	 The graphic features a green background with a white path leading towards a house icon. Text includes 'Cost of Living Support', 'COST OF LIVING SUPPORT', 'Supporting independence and building resilience', and '...giving children the best start'. There are illustrations of people and flying money.	Worried about the Cost of Living this Christmas? Nottinghamshire County Council have brought together lots of advice and support for local residents. Take a look at: https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/business-community/cost-of-living-support #beststartnotts
2	9.12.24.	Financial Resilience - debt	 The graphic shows a sad-looking character inside a large coin, surrounded by flying money. Text includes 'Money worries?' and '...giving children the best start'.	Money Worries? If you're struggling to keep up with bills and debt payments, try not to worry – you're not alone. Money Helper have lots of great advice at: https://www.moneyhelper.org.uk/en/money-troubles/dealing-with-debt #beststartnotts

3	16.12.24.	Financial resilience – loan sharks, credit union	Avoid debt this Christmas! 	Don't go into debt this Christmas! Know your budget and stick to it – charity shops are a great place to find presents or get creative and make your own gifts. You don't need to spend lots of money to show you care. Don't forget about your "normal" bills this month and next! Start saving for next Christmas: Credit Unions are a great place to save https://nottsandlincscu.co.uk/ Avoid loan sharks and doorstep lenders. https://www.gov.uk/report-loan-shark #beststartnotts
4	23.12.24.	Energy bills	Keep cosy at Christmas. 	Struggling with heating bills? When temperatures drop outside, it's natural we want our homes to be warm and cosy. Our friends at Nottingham Energy Partnership have lots of great advice and support. https://www.nottenergy.com/costoflivingsupport/energy-bills-support #beststartnotts

5	28.12.24.	Budget		Want to get your 2025 finances off to a sound start? Take a look at the free budget planning tool from our friends at MoneyHelper: Budget Planner Free online budget planning tool MoneyHelper #beststartnotts
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