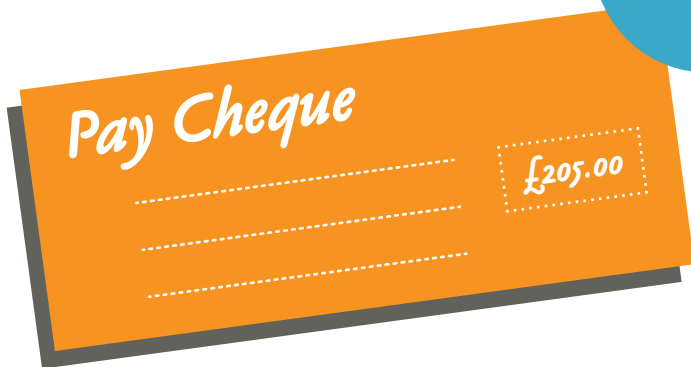


Can you live on the minimum wage?

PAY ON MINIMUM WAGE

£205



What does this mean?

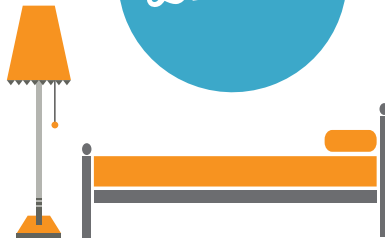
Someone working full-time on the minimum wage would take home £205 a week (including Working Tax Credits). Living on the **bare minimum** in London costs at least £201 a week. **You do the maths.**

BARE ESSENTIALS

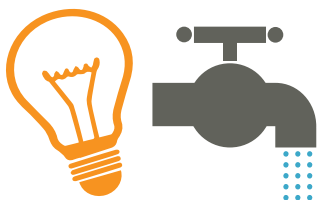
£201



Food the basics



Rent 1 bedroom flat in Newham



Bills gas, electricity and water



Travel a bus pass

Explaining the data

We calculated an estimated minimum weekly basket of goods using readily available information on rent (a single room in Newham, one of London's cheapest boroughs), bills, food shopping, and a weekly bus pass. Paying for these necessities leaves nothing for emergencies like a broken fridge or a trip to the dentist, let alone a social life.