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Dear Mr McLaughlin

**YOUR CLAIM FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT  
ALLOWANCE**

**CHANGES IN THE EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT  
ALLOWANCE RATES PAYABLE**

From 22 January 2026 your Employment and Support Allowance  
will be £140.55 a week.

This is because of:

- an age change(s).

We cannot pay you an allowance from 28 January 2026. This is  
because:

- You have reached state pension age and you should claim  
Retirement Pension. If you do not have enough money to live  
you may be able to get Universal Credit or Pension Credit.  
**GOV.UK** can tell you more about this.

We will credit you with National Insurance contributions while  
claiming Employment and Support Allowance.

You must tell the office that pays your benefit about any change in  
your circumstances, and the circumstances of anyone included on  
your claim, straight away.

If the information we hold is incorrect your payments may be  
wrong. We may owe you money or you may need to pay us  
money back. You also risk being prosecuted or having to pay a  
financial penalty.

The money you get from Employment and Support Allowance will  
be taken off your Household's Universal Credit Award.

**We have many different  
ways we can  
communicate with you.**  
If you would like braille,  
British Sign Language, a  
hearing loop,  
translations, large print,  
audio or something else  
please tell us using the  
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