

Richmond and Wandsworth Shared Staffing Arrangement

National Landlords Forum and Wandsworth Council Landlords Forum



Overview: schemes available to landlords

- * Private Sector Leasing Scheme (PLS)
- * Private Licencing Agreement (PLA)
- * Private Rented Sector Offer Scheme (PRSO)
- * Syrian Refugee Resettlement Programme

Private Sector Leasing Scheme

- ✓ Guaranteed rent for the term of the lease
- ✓ Lease period for 3½ years
- ✓ Full management service provided
- ✓ Regular inspections of the property throughout the term of the lease
- ✓ Minor repairs is covered by Council after the initial 6 months
- ✓ Property to be partly furnished
- ✓ Requirement for properties within or surrounding boroughs.

Private Licensing Agreement

- ✓ Guaranteed rent for the term of the agreement
- ✓ Agreement between 1 - 3 years
- ✓ Landlord manages property throughout term of lease
- ✓ Property to be partly furnished
- ✓ Council takes any legal possession action

Private Rented Sector Offer

- ✓ Landlord/ agent manage the property in full
- ✓ Tenant is liable for the rent (assistance provided with applying for housing benefit, if required)
- ✓ Tenancy for one year (no break-clause)
- ✓ Incentive package:
 - 1 bedroom = £1,500 + one months rent in advance
 - 2 bedroom = £2,000+ one months rent in advance
 - 3 bedroom = £2,500+ one months rent in advance
 - 4 bedroom = £3,000+ one months rent in advance.

Syrian Refugee Resettlement Programme

- * 2015: Gov't pledged to resettle 20,000 Syrian refugees
- * Council wants to support this by working with private landlords and other local groups
- * Incentives offered in line with PRSO scheme
- * Once families have moved in, the Council offer a resettlement programme of 12 months.

What can landlords offer

- * Self-contained property with at least 2 bedrooms
- * Within Local Housing Allowance (LHA) rates
- * At least 2 years Assured Short hold Tenancy (AST) to be offered.
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Next steps: matching your property with a family

1. Inspection of the property to ensure it is suitable
2. If so, the council liaises with the Home Office for a suitable household
3. If accepted, the Home Office will require at least 6 - 8 weeks for visa and travel arrangements
4. The landlord will be advised of the property rental start date
5. Council provides meet and greet from the airport.

Support: after a family move in

- ✓ Integration package for the family for 12 months from a support worker
- ✓ Support worker will provide an Interpreting and link to the landlord
- ✓ Support worker is responsible for practical support in accessing benefits/local facilities etc.
- ✓ Assistance accessing work and schools
- ✓ Sign-posting to other services.

Interested?

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