

# Is your home too big for you?

Money to Move:

An offer for council tenants



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Homes for Haringey



**Is your home too big for you?**

**Are you spending money on heating a home that's larger than you need?**

**Would you like to move to a smaller home?**

Homes for Haringey and Haringey Council want to help council tenants living in large properties move to more suitably-sized homes. This, in turn, will help us house families that need larger accommodation.

In order to do this, we are offering financial incentives to tenants who want to move.

## **Financial Incentives**

We will pay you **£1,000** if you are under-occupying your home and move to a smaller property.

For every bedroom that you make available, we will pay you **£1,000**. If you have any rent arrears, they will be deducted from this incentive payment.

To help with the move, tenants will also be provided with an additional grant of **£500** towards the cost of removals and relocation.

For example, if you live in a two-bedroom home by yourself, we will provide you with £1,000 for moving to a smaller home, £1,000 for downsizing by one bedroom and an additional £500 grant towards your moving costs. That's a total of £2,500.

## Help and assistance to move

As well as offering these financial incentives, our Under Occupation Officer will provide advice on the options available to you as well as help and support throughout your move.

## Your questions answered

### **Q. Who is eligible?**

A. Any Haringey Council tenant living in a property with two or more bedrooms that wants to move to a property with fewer bedrooms.

### **Q. Do I have to move to another council house?**

A. No, the scheme will also apply to you if you wish to move into the private sector, or buy your own home on the open market.

### **Q. Can I still get the incentive if I move to a smaller home through a mutual exchange?**

A. Yes. As long as the family with whom you are exchanging will not be under-occupying your home when they move, you can still get an incentive for moving to a smaller home through a mutual exchange.

### **Q. Can I still get the incentive if I move to a smaller home through another housing move programme or into supported housing?**

A. Yes. The financial incentives are available for all under-occupation moves including moving to supported accommodation or a housing move programme such as the Mayor of London's Seaside and Country Homes initiative for residents over the age of 60.

## **Q. Can I move out of Haringey?**

A. The Under Occupation Officer will be able to advise you on the different options available to you should you wish to move out of Haringey.



**From 10 May 2017 all tenants looking to  
downsize will be moved onto Band A**



### **Find out more**

To find out more about your under occupation move options, call the Move On Team on **020 8489 4771** between 9.00am and 5.00pm Monday to Friday.



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