# **Property Weekly**



Thursday 15th May 2025

Weekly list of homes available from Wigan Council.

You have six days to bid for a property from 9.00am Thursday to 5.30pm Tuesday. Please note that bidding is NOT on a first come, first served basis. You can bid at any time during this period via <a href="www.wigan.gov.uk">www.wigan.gov.uk</a> so you may wish to place your bid(s) over the weekend or during quieter periods.

Digital support is available at all of the Borough's libraries, if you need assistance in being shown how to bid for yourself or someone else, you will need your email address, password, and bidding number.

Please ensure that we have your current contact details so that you do not miss out on any offers of properties. You are able to request an update of these via your Housing Online Account.

Some of our properties are advertised whilst they are still occupied. Please be respectful of the people living in the properties and do not approach them or enter the garden/property.

Email: houreg@wigan.gov.uk

Website: www.wigan.gov.uk

Telephone: 01942 486183

#### <u>Demand for Council housing continues to rise in 2025</u>

We are continuing to see an increase in demand for Council properties and would like to make customers aware of this so we can better manage expectations.

We currently have around 12,000 customers on the Housing Register, with approximately 6,000 customers bidding for properties on a regular basis. Only 1,075 Council properties became vacant since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 and the average number of bids received for each property remains high at 267. This means that waiting times are very long at the moment, even for those homeless and if you are not in urgent housing need it is unlikely you will be offered a Council property.

We ask that you consider alternative housing options if these are available to you, which may include.

- Renting a private property
- Renting a Housing Association property
- Home ownership/affordable home ownership
- A mutual exchange if you are a secure tenant.

<u>Visit what are my housing options on our website for further</u> information.

\*Figures quoted correct as at 01.01.25

#### <u>Home swapper - Mutual exchange</u>

The easiest way to swap your social home

Are you a Council tenant looking to rightsize? Is your home too big or too small or not in the right area?

You may be aware that Wigan Council subscribes to Homeswapper, which is a free service offered to secure tenants. You can register your property, upload photographs and look for suitable matches at <a href="https://www.homeswapper.co.uk">www.homeswapper.co.uk</a>

We currently have over 858 tenants registered on Homeswapper.

Once you have found a property and both parties are happy to swap you can now complete your mutual exchange application online using your Homeswapper account, as we have recently launched a new service called Swap Tracker. This will help to improve the mutual exchange process and allows you to track the progress of your application from start to finish.

Please note we are no longer able to accept paper application forms for mutual exchanges since the introduction of Swap Tracker.



#### Affordable Home Ownership in Wigan Borough

There is a diverse range of affordable housing options available on the market which could help you into home ownership. For information about the types of schemes available, please see the Government's Own Your Home website, which also includes an online comparison tool to help you find which could be right for you. Additionally, we have information about affordable housing options on our website.

Properties are advertised in many ways. Most new build developments will have some affordable home ownership properties, if you are interested, you should enquire with their on-site sales office.

Additionally, you can find properties online using popular property search websites, such as Rightmove or Zoopla, and Gov.uk also has a directory of properties available on an affordable purchase schemes (by local authority area), such as Shared Ownership resales.

If you have any queries about affordable home ownership options, you can contact us at affordablehomes@wigan.gov.uk

There are also other buying options through the Government's Help to Buy scheme. For further details please visit <a href="https://www.helptobuynw.org.uk">www.helptobuynw.org.uk</a>

# <u>List of Council and Registered Social Landlord Properties</u> <u>Date: 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025</u>

#### **Four Bedroom Houses**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
64110	Kitt Green Road, Marsh Green, Wigan, WN5 0EL	City Road		117.57	Time	Adapted - preference to family requiring adaptations Shower Polyfloor/Tiled

## **Three Bedroom Houses**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
64701	Bleasdale Road, Hindley, Wigan, WN2 4LE	The Hollins		111.22	Need	Preference families with children
11805	Falconwood Close, Wigan, WN6 7AF	Beech Hill East	Your Housing Group	112.09	Need	Preference families with children

## **Two Bedroom Houses**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
64833	Avon Road, Ashton-In- Makerfield, Wigan, WN4 8UA	Stubshaw Cross		102.64	Need	Preference families with children

64845	Riding Lane, Ashton-In- Makerfield,	Stubshaw Cross	102.64	Need	Preference families with children
	Wigan, WN4 8TW				Shower Polyfloor/Tiled
					Ramp access to front of property
64624	Beech Hill Lane, Beech Hill, Wigan, WN6 8PJ	Beech Hill West	101.55	Need	Preference families with children
64795	Thorburn Road, Norley Hall, Wigan,	Norley Hall East	102.78	Need	Preference families with children
	WN5 9LJ				Property has a Dining Room
					Shower Polyfloor/Tiled
64835	Jasmine Road, Worsley Hall, Wigan, WN5 9QY	Sherwood	100.32	Need	Preference families with children
64855	Logwood Avenue, Worsley Hall, Wigan, WN5 9RE	Worsley Hall Central	100.32	Need	Preference families with children
64655	Ramsden Close, Worsley Mesnes, Wigan, WN3 5XB	Cornwallis	98.07	Need	Preference families with children

Some of our properties are advertised whilst they are still occupied.

Please be respectful of the people living in the properties and do not approach them or enter the garden/property.

#### **Two Bedroom Flats**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Floor	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
64107	Pembroke Road, Marsh Green, Wigan, WN5 0QX	Marsh Green Central		] <sup>st</sup>	93.99	Need	None
46370	Lockgate Place, Wigan, WN3 5DT	Poolstock	Jigsaw Homes	] <sup>st</sup>	115.91	Need	None Maximum number of people - 3
							*This property is managed by Jigsaw Homes

Some of our properties are advertised whilst they are still occupied. Please be respectful of the people living in the properties and do not approach them or enter the garden/property

## **One Bedroom Flats**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Floor	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
64615	Wordsworth Avenue, Atherton, Manchester, M46 9WW	Poets Corner		] <sup>st</sup>	85.19	Need	None
64840	Grasmere Avenue, Ince, Wigan, WN2 2NN	Busy Bee/ Petticoat		Ground	87.65	Need	None Shower Polyfloor/ Tiled

64641	Pryce	Ince Central		Ground	87.65	Time	None
	Avenue, Ince, Wigan, WN2 2BT						Ramp access to front of property
46653	Palatine	Plank Lane	Jigsaw	Ground	89.24 +	Need	Over 45
	Square, Leigh, WN7 4RZ		Homes		2.48 Service Charge		Applicants must be in employment
							*This property is managed by Jigsaw Homes
64863	Mayfeild	Orrell Post	Guinness	2 <sup>nd</sup>	97.02 +	Need	None
	Court, Mayfeild Road, Orrell, Wigan, WN5 OHN				33.11 Service Charge		*This property is managed by Guinness Partnership

Some of our properties are advertised whilst they are still occupied. Please be respectful of the people living in the properties and do not approach them or enter the garden/property.

## **Sheltered Housing**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Property type/ Floor Level	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
64637	Greenfields, Wigan, WN6 8QW	Beech Hill East		1 Bed 1st Floor Flat	89.51 + 12.23 Service Charge	Need	Over 55's - preference over 60's Shower Polyfloor/Tiled

Some of our properties are advertised whilst they are still occupied.

Please be respectful of the people living in the properties and do not approach them or enter the garden/property

\*Please note that if you are in receipt of Housing Benefit, you will still have a charge to pay each week. The charge will be determined by your own individual financial circumstances.

#### What is Sheltered Accommodation?

Sheltered accommodation could suit you if you want to live within a scheme in your own home, with your own front door but with the company of other residents, should you want this. To give you peace of mind there is support in place that can be accessed 24/7 via a Scheme manager or a response service. We want sheltered accommodation to be a lively place for residents and the local community where our resident's skills are celebrated, and lives enriched to keep people living independently and well for longer. We have social events that you can access and there are no rules on when you come and go from the scheme.

#### IHM Charge – what does this cover

To cover the cost of the communal areas and to ensure your security a management fee applies in sheltered accommodation schemes. Many of our sheltered schemes have communal facilities and are therefore subject to the higher fee to pay (maximum £12.23 per week). However, you may be able to get assistance with this fee if you are entitled to housing benefit (maximum £2.84 per week). The fee you pay will depend on which scheme you choose to live in.