## **Property Weekly**



Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July 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="https://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.

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#### Wigan Council Housing - Allocations Policy Review

Wigan Council are responsible for managing and maintaining, 21,000 council properties throughout the Wigan Borough. Last year only 1,400 properties became vacant and available for letting.

We currently have significant demand for social housing in Wigan, with over 12,000 applicants on the housing register. Over 6,000 applicants are bidding for properties on a regular basis and there is an average of 267 bids placed per property advertised.

Given the low levels of available stock and increasing numbers on the register, we have decided it's time to review our Allocations Policy. By law every Local Authority must adopt a Housing Allocations Policy, which must be published and kept under review. The current Policy requires a review to make the Policy clearer and to ensure it still reflects the Council's priorities.

We want to know your views on the proposed changes; we hope that this survey will give you the opportunity to provide your views to influence the development of a new Allocation's Policy for Wigan. Your responses will remain confidential.

The consultation period will run until 16th September 2025.

We will use your feedback to prepare a report later this year, for presentation to Elected Members at full Council, who will make a final decision on the changes proposed following the consultation feedback.

The full version of the proposed Housing Allocation Policy is available below, along with the proposed new banding system and a link to the survey so you can share your views.

<u>Project: Wigan Council Housing - Allocations Policy Review | Wigan</u> Council

#### <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 www.homeswapper.co.uk

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 <u>affordablehomes@wigan.gov.uk</u>

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: 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025</u>

#### **Three Bedroom Houses**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
65088	Cherry Grove, Leigh, WN7 5RF	Bright Street		105.43	Need	Adapted - preference to family requiring adaptations
						Shower Polyfloor/Tiled
64971	Hooten Lane, Leigh, WN7 3BS	Butts Bridge		104.66	Need	Preference families with children
65172	Kipling Grove, Leigh, WN7 5EH	Wigan Road		106.84	Need	Preference families with children
						Ramp access to front of property
65067	Nel Pan Lane, Leigh, WN7 5LA	Tamar		110.70	Time	Preference families with children
						Shower Walk-in
65146	Pennine Walk, Platt Bridge, Wigan, WN2	Woodcock Drive		107.54	Need	Preference families with children
	5NH					Property has a Dining Room

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#### **Two Bedroom Houses**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
65120	Laurel Crescent, Hindley Green, Wigan, WN2 4PR	Hindley Green		104.18	Need	Preference families with children
64258	Riding Close, Hindley, Wigan, WN2 3FQ	Hindley Town Centre		169.82	Need	Preference families with children
65135	Warrington Road, Leigh, WN7 3XE	Butts Bridge		97.58	Time	Preference families with children

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#### **Two Bedroom Flats**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Floor	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
63730	Plot 4 Windings House,	Plank Lane	Torus	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	156.92	Need	Over 50's No Pets Allowed
	Furness Court, Mitchell Street, Leigh, WN7 4FU						*This property is managed by Torus
64979	Manor Court, Golborne, Warrington, WA3 3JF	Derby Road		]st	95.79	Need	Over 40's
64578	Old School Court, Wigan, WN1 3AA	Bottling Wood		Ground	147.69	Need	Over 50's - single or couple

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## **One Bedroom Flats**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Floor	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
63728	Plot 2 Windings House, Furness Court, Mitchell Street, Leigh, WN7 4FU	Plank Lane	Torus	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	138.46	Need	Over 50's  No Pets Allowed  *This property is managed by Torus
65153	Rathen Avenue, Ince, Wigan, WN2 2JR	Careless Lane		<b>]</b> st	87.65	Need	None
65170	Cecil Street, Leigh, WN7 3ES	Siddow Common		Ground	86.25	Time	None
65204	1 Anchor field, Leigh, WN7 4GJ	Diamond/ Etherstone Street	Your Housing Group	Ground	138.46	Need	Over 30's – single adult or couple  Must be in employment  New Build  *This property is managed by Your Housing Group

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## **Two Bedroom Bungalows**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
65009	Nostell Road, Ashton-In- Makerfield, Wigan, WN4 9XD	Wentworth		107.56	Need	Over 60's with 2 bed requirement or applicants with a recognised medical need for a 2-bedroom bungalow.  Shower Polyfloor/Tiled

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## **One Bedroom Bungalows**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
64965	Grange Road, Ashton-In- Makerfield, Wigan, WN4 0BB	Bryn		94.50	Need	Over 60's - or recognised medical need for a bungalow Shower Polyfloor/Tiled
65014	Holt Street, Hindley, Wigan, WN2 3JB	Hindley Town Centre		96.26	Need	Over 60's - or recognised medical need for a bungalow Shower Polyfloor/Tiled

64907	Darnhall	Spring View	100.23	Need	Over 60's - or
	Street, Ince,				recognised
	Wigan,				medical need
	WN3 4FS				for a
					bungalow
					Shower Polyfloor/Tiled

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## **Sheltered Housing**

Ref	Address	Area	Housing Assoc	Property type/ Floor Level	Weekly Rent	List Type	Criteria & Special Features
65169	Cherry Tree Grove, Atherton, Manchester, M46 OHN	Car Bank South		1 Bed Bungalow	95.60 + 12.23 service charge	Need	Over 55's - preference over 60's Shower Polyfloor/Tiled
64852	Alexandra House, Balcarres Avenue, Wigan, WN1 3UY	Bottling Wood		1 Bed Ground Floor Flat	88.26 + 12.23 service charge	Time	Over 55's - preference over 60's No Pets Allowed
							Shower Polyfloor/Tiled
65133	Kildare Grange, Hindley,	Hindley Town Centre		1 Bed 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Flat	90.23 + 17.48 service	Need	Over 55's - preference over 60's
	Wigan, WN2 3JD				charge		No Pets Allowed
65168	Clifton House, Keats Avenue, Wigan, WN3 5UD	Keats		1 Bed 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Flat	88.26 + 12.23 service charge	Need	Over 55's - preference over 60's No Pets Allowed
							Shower Tray

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\*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.