

Housing Advice and Options Service

The *Housing Advice and Options Service* offers free and friendly advice on housing issues.

This service is open to all the community in the Borough of North Warwickshire.



Support and Advice on Housing Issues

If you would like a copy of this leaflet in another format e.g. in large print, on audiotape, in another language or through discussion, please contact the Housing Division.

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Jeżeli chcieliby Państwo otrzymać ten dokument w innym języku lub w innym formacie albo jeżeli potrzebna jest pomoc tłumacza, to prosimy o kontakt z nami

જો તમને આ દસ્તાવેજ બીજી ભાષા અથવા રચનામાં જોઈતો હોય, અથવા જો તમને ઇન્ટરપ્રિટરની સેવાઓ જોઈતી હોય તો, કૃપા કરી અમારો સંપર્ક સાધો.

本文件可以翻譯為另一語文版本，或製作成另一格式，如有此需要，或需要傳譯員的協助，請與我們聯絡。

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The Rent Deposit Scheme

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Do you need help and support finding private rented accommodation?

- Are you homeless or threatened with homelessness?
- Are you looking for private rented accommodation?
- Are you unable to afford the deposit?
- Are you on a low income and/or claiming benefits and entitled to housing benefit?
- Do you live within the Borough of North Warwickshire?
- Are you able to live on your own in a privately rented property?
- If you are single with no children, are you over 25?

If you have answered yes to all of these questions you might be entitled to join the Council's Rent Deposit Scheme.

The Scheme can offer:

- Information on private renting and accommodation
- Assistance finding a private rented property
- A 'Deposit Guarantee' in the form of a paper bond
- Housing Benefit advice and help with the completion of Housing Benefit Forms

What would potential tenants have to do?

- Save up for your own bond during your tenancy with 'New Way Credit Union'
- Agree for your Housing Benefit to be paid direct to your landlord
- Keep to the terms of your tenancy agreement
- Respect your neighbours
- Co-operate with the Rent Deposit Scheme officers
- Refund any money that the bond scheme pays on your behalf (If there is a claim made on the bond when you leave your tenancy)

Are you a Landlord?

The advantages for Landlords are:

- Reference checks on all potential tenants
- Free Environmental Health check
- Free DVD of property prior to letting
- A central point for queries and advice
- Advice on Housing Benefit
- Tenancy support for both landlords and tenants
- Mediation and working towards resolution of problems relating to the tenancy

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