

WELCOME TO REAL LETTINGS

Real Lettings is a social lettings agency and is part of the homelessness charity, St Mungo's.

Working primarily in London, we have helped hundreds of tenants to escape their cycle of homelessness. For many of the people we work with, Real Lettings has proven to be their only access to quality and affordable, privately rented accommodation.

After the success of working in London, Real Lettings is now working in partnership with local authorities in Oxford, Milton Keynes and Bristol, on the National Homelessness Property Fund. Together we are seeking to provide quality and affordable privately rented accommodation to vulnerably housed people. This involves purchasing and renovating properties to a high standard, and renting them to individuals in Oxford, Milton Keynes and Bristol. Real Lettings only accepts referrals from the local authority.



WHAT ARE WE DOING?

Real Lettings is working with your local authority to provide tenancies for vulnerably housed people. These are for an initial period of 12 months on an assured shorthold tenancy, which could then continue on a rolling monthly contract.

During this time the Senior Housing Management and Lettings Officer for the area will be in regular contact with you to provide low level support. This will help you develop skills to maintain your tenancy and work towards a positive move on to your own long term accommodation.

HOW EXPENSIVE IS IT?

Real Lettings properties are rented at the Local Housing Allowance rate for the area – this means you do not have to pay a top up to Real Lettings if you are eligible to claim full housing benefit. If you are working or affected by the benefit cap, you may be required to pay a top up which will cover the difference between your housing benefit and the total rent cost. You will not need to pay Real Lettings a deposit or agency fees for the property. However, as a tenant, you will be responsible for ensuring that your utilities and council tax are paid.

WHAT ARE THE PROPERTIES LIKE?

Each property is unfurnished, with carpets or laminate flooring depending on the property, and will also have a cooker and a fridge freezer. The properties do not have washing machines installed, though they all have a space and plumbing set up for you to purchase their own, should you wish to do so. The properties have been decorated to a high standard and when your tenancy finishes, we expect a property to be handed back to us in the same condition, minus fair wear and tear.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU!