Property Weekly



Thursday 25th April 2024

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 www.wigan.gov.uk 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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Demand for Council housing continues to rise in 2024.

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 over 13,500 customers on the Housing Register, with approximately 6,200 customers bidding for properties on a regular basis. Only 1,260 Council properties became vacant last year (1.04.23 – 31.03.24) and the average number of bids received for each property remains high at 222. 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 information.</u> *Figures quoted correct as at 31.03.24

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 different 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 www.helptobuynw.org.uk/

<u> Home swapper – Mutual exchange</u>

A mutual exchange is when you arrange to swap homes with someone else. To apply you must be a secure council tenant or Housing Association tenant and you must have your landlord's written permission before you swap. Mutual exchange can often help tenants to find alternative accommodation quickly.

Wigan Council now subscribes to HomeSwapper, the UK's leading mutual exchange service. If you are a Wigan Council tenant and have been for 12 months or more, you can register and look for potential swaps free of charge.

You can register for this service at https://www.wigan.gov.uk/Resident/Housing/Council-homes/Find-a-home/What-are-my-housing-options/Mutual-exchange.aspx

Three Bedroom Houses

Date: 25th April 2024

| Ref | Address | Area | Housing Assoc | Weekly Rent | List Type | Criteria & Special Features |
|-------|---|------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|--|
| 62494 | Car Bank Street, Atherton, Manchester, M46 0HZ | Car Bank South | | 108.88 | Need | Preference families with children. Shower over bath |
| 62441 | Warwick Road, Atherton, Manchester, M46 9GE | Car Bank North | | 107.20 | Need | Preference families with children. Property has a Dining Room Ramp access to front of property Stairlift to property |
| 62480 | Henry Street, Leigh, WN7 3ER | Siddow Common | | 102.66 | Need | Preference families with children. Property has a Dining Room |
| 62475 | Brabazon Place, Marsh Green, Wigan, WN5 0HH | Marsh Green Central | | 102.90 | Need | Preference families with children. |
| 62495 | Severn Drive, Pemberton, Wigan, WN5 9NE | Norley Hall East | | 107.45 | Need | Preference families with children. Property has a Dining Room |

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Two Bedroom Houses

| Ref | Address | Area | Housing Assoc | Weekly Rent | List Type | Criteria & Special Features |
|-------|--|-----------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|--|
| 62472 | Bridges Street, Atherton, Manchester, M46 0PD | Howe Bridge | | 93.41 | Need | Preference families with children. |
| 62478 | Maple Crescent, Leigh, WN7 5QX | Bright Street | | 93.91 | Need | Preference families with children. |
| 62498 | Norley Hall Avenue, Pemberton, Wigan, WN5 9TG | Norley Hall Avenue | | 101.61 | Need | Preference families with children Property has a Dining Room |
| 62490 | Cambridge Way, Wigan, WN1 3EN | Scholes Cambridge | | 100.42 | Need | Preference families with children |
| 62482 | Ellis Street, Wigan, WN1 3PL | Bottling Wood | | 96.45 | Need | Preference families with children. |

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Two Bedroom Flats

| Ref | Address | Area | Housing Assoc | Floor Level | Weekly Rent | List Type | Criteria & Special Features |
|-------|--|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| 62497 | Scafell Grove, Platt Bridge, Wigan, WN2 5ND | Woodcock Drive | | 1 st | 90.74 | Need | None |
| 62290 | Ashfield Park Drive, Standish, Wigan, WN6 0EG | Standish Larkhill | | Ground | 91.01 | Time | None |

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One Bedroom Flats

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|-------|---|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|---|
| 62504 | Cinnamon Avenue, Hindley Green, Wigan, WN2 4RF | Hindley Green | | 1 st | 84.08 | Need | None Shower Tray |
| 62496 | Strange Street, Leigh, WN7 4UG | Plank Lane | | 1 st | 83.12 | Need | None |
| 62421 | Boyswell House, Wigan, WN1 3QG | Scholes Multi Storey | | 1 st | 85.51 + 16.23 service charge | Need | Over 40's - no children under 12 years and no cats and dogs. No Pets Allowed. Shower Tray |
| 62566 | Thornley Grove, Standish, Wigan, WN6 0WP | Standish Lower Ground | Bolton at Home | 1 st | 88.73 | Need | Single applicants or Couple *This property is managed by Bolton at Home |

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One Bedroom Bungalows

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|-------|--|---------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|--|
| 61916 | Montrose Avenue, Norley Hall, Wigan, WN5 9XJ | Norley Hall West | | 88.25 | Need | Over 55's - preference over 60's. Ramp access to both front and rear of property |
| 62462 | Station Avenue, Orrell, Wigan, WN5 8TH | Orrell Village | | 90.31 | Need | Over 60's - property type required due to disability. Shower Walk-in |
| 62424 | Buckingham Place, Tyldesley, Manchester, M29 8LR | Shakerley | | 90.82 | Time | Over 55's - preference over 60's. Shower Polyfloor/Tiled |

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|-------|--------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|---|
| 62325 | Holden Road, Leigh, WN7 1HA | Leigh Town Centre | | 100.25 | Need | Over 55's - preference over 60's. Shower Polyfloor/Tiled |

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Sheltered Accommodation (IHM- Intensive Housing Management Charge)

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|-------|--|------------------|------------------|----------------------------|--|--------------|--|
| 62336 | Manor Court, Golborne, Warrington, WA3 3JF | Derby Road | | 1 Bed Ground Floor Flat | 84.32 + 13.21 furnished charge + 12.23 IHM charge | Need | Over 55's - preference over 60's. Shower Polyfloor/Tiled |
| 62328 | Basswood Green, Hindley, Wigan, WN2 4LN | Hindley Green | | 1 Bed Bungalow | 96.64 + 12.23 IHM charge | Need | Over 55's - preference over 60's. |

| 62473 | Furness Crescent, Leigh, WN7 5PG | Abbey Lane East | 1 Bed Bungalow | 90.54 + 12.23 IHM charge | Need | Shower Polyfloor/Tiled Over 55's - preference over 60's. |
|-------|---|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------|--|
| | | | | | | Shower Polyfloor/Tiled |
| 62474 | Roadside Court, Lowton, Warrington, WA3 2DU | Pennine Lane | 1 Bed Bungalow | 91.50 + 12.23 IHM charge | Need | Over 55's - preference over 60's. Shower Polyfloor/Tiled |
| 62340 | Winster House, Norley Hall, Wigan, WN5 9XS | Norley Hall West | 1 Bed Ground Floor Flat | 82.78 + 12.23 IHM charge | Need | Over 55's - preference over 60's. Shower Polyfloor/Tiled |
| 62070 | Pagefield Close, Wigan, WN6 7EE | Pagefield | 1 Bed Bungalow | 90.82 + 12.23 IHM charge | Need | Over 55's - preference over 60's. Shower Polyfloor/Tiled |

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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.