



Important information before ending your tenancy

Is the new property:

Affordable?

- Is the rent or accommodation costs affordable?
- Is your income likely to change?
- Have you had any financial advice?

The correct size?

- How many bedrooms does your household need?
- Is the living space suitable?

In a suitable location?

- Can you travel to work or schools easily?
- Are you close to your support network?
- How well do you know the area, have you visited the property at different times of the day?

Suitable for your physical needs?

- Are any adaptations needed?
- Are you able to manage any steps or stairs?

Risks of leaving social housing

Less security of tenure

- Shorter tenancies or agreements means less certainty about how long you can stay
- You can be asked to leave more easily by notice being served.

Weaker legal protection and tenant rights

- Fewer legal rights
- Harder to challenge unfair treatment.

Financial pressures

- Rents and accommodation costs outside of Social Housing are usually much higher.

Challenges of moving back to social housing

- It's likely you'll have to wait a long time because there aren't enough homes available
- You might not be able to apply to the Housing Register for Social Housing if:
 - you move areas and don't meet the local connection criteria
 - you are deemed as suitably housed.

Speak to us before ending your tenancy, we may be able to help

- Overcrowding
- Under occupying
- Health needs
- Anti social behaviour
- Domestic abuse
- In rent arrears or struggling financially
- Anything else.

Who you can contact if you need advice

Southern Housing

0300 303 1066

hello@southernhousing.org.uk

[Contact us](#)

[Southern Housing – Support for our residents](#)

Your local authority housing team

www.gov.uk/find-local-council

Citizens Advice

0808 2787 912

[Your local citizens advice](#)

Useful resources

Shelter helpline – Homelessness advice

[Home - Shelter England](#)

0808 800 4444

Open: Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm

Domestic Abuse

[Domestic abuse information and help](#)

National Domestic Abuse Helpline

0808 2000 247

Open: 24/7

National Debtline

0808 808 4000

Open: Monday to Friday 9am-8pm

Saturday 9:30am-1pm

[Free debt advice](#)

Useful policies available on our website

[Domestic Abuse Policy](#)

[Anti-Social Behaviour Policy](#)

[Arrears Policy](#)