

- the lease of the home currently occupied is about to come to an end and no other housing options are available or
- the household has assessed disability needs requiring an urgent move
- financial hardship
- Homes on one level, mobility and wheelchair-adapted homes (Group 5 Applicants)

Direct offers will take into account recommendations from Health and Well-being assessments and occupational therapy assessments as well as the area the applicant has expressed a preference to live in although the latter cannot always be taken into account. See section on Enfield's Statement of Choice for further details.

- Homes for older people

During the first year of this Allocation Scheme, consultation and planning will take place to introduce access to the CBL system for letting homes for older people

## **Letting of homes with Affordable Rent Tenancies**

Besides Council and housing association homes that are rented at significantly lower than full market rents, the Choice Based Lettings system, Home Connections, will also advertise some housing association properties with higher rents which can be up to 80 per cent of local market rents.

These homes will be clearly marked as 'Affordable Housing' when advertised in Home Connections.

Affordable housing rents are usually includes service charges that you will need to pay for the home.

Please note that Enfield will continue to advertise all the homes it owns at the standard rent level.

### Bidding for Affordable Rent homes

All applicants with enough priority can bid for homes advertised as Affordable Rent homes in exactly the same way as for other advertised properties.

If an applicant is successful the housing association may want to check they have enough income to pay the higher rent, whether working or on benefits. If the applicant is currently a housing association tenant the rent they pay on their present home will not be affected by this change.