

SHARED OWNERSHIP HOUSING

3. In respect of initial Shared Ownership Housing unit vacancies the Registered Provider shall not permit the Shared Ownership Housing Units to be occupied, transferred or leased to persons other than those who met the criteria detailed in Category 1 of Part C of this Schedule for a minimum period of twelve (12) weeks from the date the Shared Ownership Housing Units are first marketed.

4. The Registered Provider shall inform the Council and the Choice Based Lettings Provider of every Shared Ownership Housing Unit vacancy which arises on the Site within five (5) Working Days of it arising and shall provide details of the category of person to whom it has been disposed of within five (5) Working Days of their accepting the property.

5. In the case of an assignment of a shared ownership lease the Registered Provider will advertise the properties as widely as reasonably possible for a minimum period of eight (8) weeks during which time any interest in the properties will be recorded to establish a local connection and create a register of interest. During the eight (8) week advertising period the property can only be assigned to someone who meets the categories for allocation detailed in Category 1 of Part C of this Schedule.

9. In respect of Shared Ownership Housing Unit vacancies the Registered Provider shall ensure that the units are advertised for sale by way of the Choice Based Letting Scheme PROVIDED THAT this shall not prevent the advertisement of the units by another medium at the absolute discretion of the Registered Provider.

PART C

TERMS OF PRIORITY FOR THE SELECTION OF OCCUPIERS OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS

Local Connection to the Local Authority Area

Category 1

- i. Have been permanently resident for at least the last twelve (12) months within the Borough of Boston.
- ii. Applicants have family Members who are resident within the Borough of Boston. Resident family Members are defined as parents, adult children or brothers or sisters who have lived in the Borough of Boston continuously for the last five (5) years.
- iii. Have previously lived for a continuous period of twelve (12) months (whilst aged 18 or over) in the last five (5) years within the Borough of Boston.
- iv. Applicants work for 32 hours or more per week for a continuous period of twelve (12) months within the Borough of Boston.
- v. Those who are currently serving in the regular forces or who were serving in the regular forces at any time in the five (5) years preceding their application for housing.
- vi. Bereaved spouse of civil partners of those serving in the regular forces where the bereaved spouse of civil partner has recently ceased, or will cease to be entitled to reside in Ministry of Defence accommodation following the death of their service spouse or civil partner, and the death was wholly or partly attributable to their service.
- vii. Existing or former Members of the reserve forces who are suffering from a serious injury, illness or disability which is wholly or partly attributable to their service.
- viii. Applicants will be deemed to have a local connection if the Council accepts or would owe a full homelessness duty to them.

For the avoidance of doubt an applicant needs to satisfy one of the above criteria to have a local connection. The timescales set out above may be relaxed by agreement with the Council to ensure that households with a potential local connection are considered before proceeding to Category 2. The Choice Based Lettings Provider reserves the right to amend the above Category in line with any futures changes to the Choice Based Lettings Scheme Policy framework.

Category 2

- i. Anyone on the waiting list of the Council's Choice Based Lettings Provider.