



Downsizing Scheme Summary Guide

Have you ever thought of downsizing?

Do I qualify?

Have your
children left
home?

Is your
home too big
to manage?

Would you
like to save
money on
household
running
costs?



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If you are under-occupying your current property, we can help you move into a more suitable home with less bedrooms to better suit your needs.

Some of the benefits to downsizing include:

- Savings on bills and household running costs
- Financial incentives (where available)
- Avoiding the bedroom tax
- Finding a home more suitable for your needs, including supported housing
- Moving to a different area / closer to family
- Reducing time spent on cleaning and household maintenance



Why do we have this scheme?

- To make best use of the council's housing stock
- To free-up larger homes to prevent overcrowding and other housing needs in the area
- To reduce homelessness
- To provide dedicated support to tenants wanting to downsize to a smaller home

How to apply

Whatever your reason for wanting a smaller home, our dedicated team are happy to assist you every step of the way.

If you have any questions or would like to have a conversation about downsizing, please contact us via telephone, email or by visiting our website

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