

If you are interested and would like to be considered for the rented properties in this development then you will be required to have an active Hampshire Home Choice application and therefore be considered eligible for an allocation to a social housing tenancy. Assessed and verified applicants on the Hampshire Home Choice housing register will be required to place a bid of interest via the Hampshire Home Choice website and will only be permitted to be considered for properties that meet their bedroom entitlement.

All Hampshire Home Choice applicants with a qualifying connection to the local authority area of Winchester City Council will be able to place bids of interest on rented properties in this development that meet their bedroom entitlement.

All properties in this development that are to be let as social housing tenancies with Winchester City Council will be advertised on the Hampshire Home Choice website for a period of 12 days from a Wednesday until the following Sunday. Eligible applicants must place a bid of interest within this period in order to be considered.

Priority will be given to applicants with a qualifying local connection to the Parish of Kings Worthy. In-line with the Hampshire Home Choice Framework, a qualifying local connection is defined as an applicant who:

- a) is ordinarily resident in the Parish at the date of allocation and/or;
- b) was previously ordinarily resident in the Parish prior to the date of allocation and he/she has immediate family* who ordinarily reside there and/or;
- c) has a demonstrable need to live in the Parish by reason of his/her current employment in the Parish.

*In accordance with the Hampshire Home Choice Framework immediate family is defined as grandparent, parent, adult sibling or adult Child.

In allocating each property Winchester City Council will give preference applicants within the following criteria:

1st preference: applicants with one or more qualifying local connections to the Parish of Kings Worthy for a period of 10 continuous years or more;

2nd preference: applicants with one or more qualifying local connections to the Parish of Kings Worthy for a period of between 5 and 10 continuous years;

3rd preference: applicants with one or more qualifying local connections to the Parish of Kings Worthy for a period of between 3 and 5 continuous years;

4th preference: applicants with one or more qualifying local connections to the Parish of Kings Worthy for a period of between 1 and 3 continuous years;

If there are insufficient numbers of applicants who satisfy the above criteria then preference will be given equally to applicants with qualifying local connections to the Parishes of Headbourne Worthy, Itchen Valley, South Wonston or Micheldever with cascading priorities for applicants with continuous connections of 10 years, 5-10 years, 3-5 years and finally 1-3 years.

If there are insufficient numbers of applicants who satisfy the above criteria then preference will be given equally to applicants with qualifying local connections to the Parishes of Chilcomb, Crawley, Itchen Stoke & Ovington, Littleton & Harestock, Northington and Sparsholt with cascading priorities for applicants with continuous connections of 10 years, 5-10 years, 3-5 years and finally 1-3 years.

If there are insufficient numbers of applicants who satisfy the above criteria then preference will be given equally to applicants with qualifying local connections to any rural village in the District of Winchester as defined by the Hampshire Home Choice Framework and lastly, to any other eligible applicant in order of priority need and waiting time.

Should two or more eligible applicants fall within the same specific preference criteria, priority will be given to the applicant in the highest priority band and longest waiting time within that priority band.

If you have any questions regarding Hampshire Home Choice, eligibility, bidding or allocation of the rented properties please contact the Allocations Team at Winchester City Council on 01962 848 356 or email HALlocations@winchester.gov.uk