Bath & North East Somerset Council





Affordable Homes Show

Unlocking Opportunities for Home Ownership

Thursday 12th April 2pm - 7pm

Keynsham Community Space, Market Walk, Keynsham, BS31 1FS

Do you live or work in Bath and North East Somerset, is your household income under £60,000, do you dream of owning your own home?

Come along and talk to housing associations and independent mortgage and legal advisors for free confidential advice about your home ownership aspirations.



Affordable Home Ownership In Bath and North East Somerset

People aspiring to home ownership in Bath and North East Somerset can explore different ways of buying their own home. There will be a local connection requirement on many low cost home ownership options in the District, which usually means they can only be purchased by households earning less than £60,000 a year and who live or work here.

Shared Ownership

Shared Ownership allows purchasers to buy a share of a new build home. The % share will differ from scheme to scheme, typically ranging from 30% up to 50% at initial purchase. Buyers then pay a low-cost rent on the rest of the home which is owned by a housing association. Shared owners can buy further shares in the property over time. Local connection criteria will apply.

Shared Ownership Resales

Existing Shared Ownership properties being re-sold. The difference is you buy the share from the current owner, not from the Housing Association like a new build. You can buy the existing share or higher if you can afford to, paying a low-cost rent on the rest of the home. Local connection criteria will apply to most re-sales of shared ownership.

Help to Buy Equity Loan

The scheme enables purchasers to buy a new build property from a developer with a 5% deposit and borrow up to 20% of the value of the home from the Government as an interest-free loan for 5 years. You will need to be able to raise a 75% mortgage to cover the remaining cost of the home. There are no local connection restrictions on this homeownership option but application criteria do apply.

Discounted Market

Discounted Market homes are sold by a developer with a fixed % discount on the open market value of the home. The level of discount starts from 25% but will differ from scheme to scheme. You will need to raise a deposit and mortgage to cover the discounted cost of the home. To buy a discounted market home in Bath & North East Somerset you will need a local connection to the District. Re-sale restrictions will apply.

For information about low cost home ownership and rented housing options in Bath & North East Somerset, including new affordable housing developments, please visit

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www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/housing/find-home.