

Leasing and refurbishment

Options for empty property owners

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Works and Lease packages

The council works with a number of housing charities, social enterprises and housing associations to bring empty private sector property back into use who then refurbish, let and manage on a lease basis. Average lease lengths are between 5 and 10 years. Once the works to the property are complete you will receive a guaranteed rental income, as well as a free management service and free internal day-to-day repairs and you do not have to worry about the property for the lease period. With these groups you will also have the advantage of their expertise in this area, and in some cases they may be able to pay for all of refurbishment. At the end of the lease, you get back a property that has been refurbished and well maintained.

To get more information on this option please contact:

The empty homes team - Tel: 020 7525 1127 or 0207 525 4082 Fax: 020 7525 1856

Email: empty.homes@southwark.gov.uk

Private Sector Leasing

Owners or Landlords with empty property that is either ready to let, or requires very minor repairs or redecoration maybe interested in our private sector leasing scheme. The lease agreement here is also between the owner and the housing association and runs on average 5 years. 1, 2 and 3 bed properties are required within Southwark. The scheme offers a:

- Guaranteed monthly rent
- Free Management Service (in most cases)
- Free minor day to day repairs

For more information on private sector leasing please contact:

The procurement team on 020 7525 4172 or email lindsay.deveney@southwark.gov.uk