



Right Home Right Place Housing Needs Survey Questions

If you wish to complete this questionnaire online, please visit www.righthomerightplace.com

Help us to shape the parish for the future by giving your thoughts on housing needs for the area. In rural areas, priority for any new affordable housing will be given to people with a local connection who are in housing need.

Please send completed forms in the addressed envelope provided to:

Affordable Housing,
Planning Policy,
Shirehall,
Abbey Foregate,
Shrewsbury,
Shropshire,
SY2 6ND

1. Your name/address:

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..... **Post Code:**

Your Email:

Telephone:

Thinking about your own household circumstances...

2. Which Parish in Shropshire would you like to live?

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3. What type of accommodation do you currently occupy?

- Private Rented
- Rented from Council/Housing Association
- Home Owner
- Living with friends/family
- Other (please detail).....





4. If you are thinking of moving, what are your reasons?

- N/A – not currently thinking about moving
- Needs improvements/repairs
- Too large
- Unsuitable for physical need
- Need to downsize
- To give or receive family support
- It is temporary accommodation
- Need different tenure accommodation
- Too costly to heat
- Too small
- Rent/mortgage is too expensive
- Want to live independently
- Growing family
- Not close enough to employment
- Other (Please state)

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5. How many people of each age and sex are there in your household? (Please write the numbers in the relevant boxes)

	0-9 years	10-15 years	16–19 years	20-44 years	45-64 years	65-74 years	75 years and over
Male							
Female							



Thinking about local housing needs...

6a. What type of housing do you need? (You can view the definitions for each type at the end of this Survey)

- Affordable housing to buy
- Affordable housing for rent by local people
- Sheltered accommodation for older people to rent or buy, including Extra Care housing
- Open market housing to buy
- Open market housing to rent
- Self-Build
- Adapted
- Entry level housing to buy
- Entry level housing to rent
- Key worker to buy
- Key worker to rent
- Not Applicable
- Other (Please state)

6b. Should there be more housing in the Parish that is affordable to local people?

- Yes No
- Don't mind either way

7. What type of property would you be looking for? (Tick any that apply)

- Detached Semi-detached
- Terrace Bungalow
- Flat Retirement Home
- Not Applicable



8. How many bedrooms do you need?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5+ | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |

9. When do you think you might need to move house?

- In the next 6 months
- In the next 6-12 months
- In the next 2 years
- In the next 5 years
- Not Applicable

10. If renting, what monthly rent do you think your household would be able to afford?

It is normal to consider that approximately one third of the household's net income would go on rent. Please do not include housing benefit within what the household can afford for rent. (Please tick one box)

Per Month

- Up to £220
- £221 to £300
- £301 to £390
- £391 to £520
- £521 to £650
- More than £650
- Not Applicable



11. How much would the household be able to afford if buying a property? It is normal to consider three times the household’s gross annual income for mortgage purposes plus any savings and equity the household may have in any property. (Please tick one box)

- Up to £40,000
- £40,001 to £60,000
- £60,001 to £80,000
- £80,001 to £100,000
- £100,001 to £120,000
- £120,001 to £140,000
- £140,001 to £160,000
- £160,001 to £180,000
- More than £180,000
- Not Applicable

12. Are you aware of any empty dwellings in your area which could be brought back into use?

- Yes
- No

If yes, what are the addresses/locations?

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13. Do you own property or land that you might be willing to see built on or developed for affordable housing?

- Yes
- No

If yes, use this space to tell us about where they are. If you know the address or part of it, please include.

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14. If you have any other comments, please make them here:

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15. Apart from you or anyone currently in your household, do you know anyone with a ‘local connection’ who is not currently residing in the Parish Area that would like to or needs to set up home in the Parish Area? (You can view the definition of “local connection” at the end of this Survey)

Yes

No

If you know anyone with a ‘local connection’ who is not currently residing in the Parish Area that would like to or needs to set up home in the Parish Area, please let them know about this survey and ask them to complete it if they wish.



Definitions:

Affordable housing to buy – New-build homebuy or Discounted Ownership.

New-build homebuy offers an excellent way into homeownership - if you're unable to afford to purchase a property outright, you can part-buy and part-rent your home.

You can choose to buy a 25%, 50% or 75% share in your home. You pay rent on the share you don't buy, and the rent is usually set at an affordable level of 2.75%. It's simple - the bigger share you own, the less rent you pay. Some schemes enable you to increase your ownership - this is called stair casing.

Discounted Ownership (DS) model allows you to buy 100% of a property, but at a substantial discount off the open market value. The sale administration is usually undertaken by a registered provider. The buyer obtains a mortgage for the discounted price but doesn't pay rent on the remainder. If you buy a discount sale home you can't purchase any shares in the property as it's a 'fixed equity' home.

When you sell your home, you'll have to sell it at the same discount percentage at which you bought it. When you want to sell you must notify the registered provider that manages your home. Your home must be sold to someone who is unable to afford a home on the open market.

Affordable housing for rent by local people - These are rented homes owned by registered providers and local authorities. This type of housing is let at a low rent on a secure basis to those in housing need. The social housing sector is governed by a strict system of control to ensure rents are kept affordable.

Self-Build - Self builds are projects where the person directly organises the design and construction of their new home themselves. This can cover a wide range of projects, from a traditional 'DIY self-build' home, where the builder selects the design they want and then does much of the actual construction work themselves, to projects where the builder arranges for an architect/contractor to build their home for them; and those projects that are delivered by kit home companies (where the builder still has to find the plot, arrange for the slab to be installed and then has to organise the kit home company to build the property for them).

Entry level housing to buy – First time or starter homes

Entry level housing to rent – First time renters.

Key worker to buy - A key worker is a public sector employee who is considered to provide an essential service. The term is often used in the United Kingdom in the context of those essential workers who may find it difficult to buy property in the area where they work.

Key worker to rent - A key worker is a public sector employee who is considered to provide an essential service. The term is often used in the United Kingdom in the context of those essential workers who may find it difficult to rent property in the area where they work.



Local Connection – Shropshire Council define this as prospective occupiers who satisfy at least **two** of the following criteria for at least one of the adult members of the household:

- Their parents were permanently resident in the local area at the time of the applicant’s birth;
- They were in permanent residence in the local area for any period of five years as a child attending a local school, (or who for special reasons attended a school outside of the local area but would have been expected to attend a local school but for those special reasons);
- They are currently lawfully resident in the local area and have lived there for at least the previous 3 years (5 years in the case of applicants seeking to utilise the ‘single plot exception site scheme);
- They don’t currently live in the local area but have previously lived there at some point for 15 continuous years as an adult;
- They are currently employed or routinely carry out self-employed work within either the local area or 5km of the site;

- They have a confirmed written offer of permanent work within either the local area or 5km of the site;
- They can demonstrate active community involvement in the local area sustained for at least the previous 2 years; or are determined by the Parish Council as having some other form of strong connection with the local community and/or its hinterland.
- Their parents currently live in the local area; or another close family member who provides or requires a substantial degree of support currently lives in the local area;
- If over 55, they have a close family member currently living in the local area