

19<sup>th</sup> August 2019  
Our ref: IR289987

Thank you for your request for information received on 24th July 2019. This request is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

### **Your request & our response**

***Question: The move on scheme is a homeless prevention scheme operated by Lambeth Council. Please can I have copies of the guidance documents for this scheme that have existed since January 2014 and the dates that each particular guidance document was in operation (including the current guidance)?***

We have a scheme whereby homeless people in temporary accommodation who move on to private rented accommodation are awarded Band B priority on the housing register.

This is set out in the Lambeth Housing Allocation Scheme 2013.

Version 1.0 of the Scheme published in 2013 stated that Band B priority is awarded to, "Households to whom the council previously owed a full housing duty under Part 7 of the Housing Act 1996 but who have voluntarily agreed to this duty being brought to an end by the provision of private rented accommodation." (p.18)

In Version 3.2 of the Scheme published 20/5/19, this wording was amended and now reads that Band B priority is awarded to, "Households to whom the Council previously owed a full housing duty under Part 7 of the Housing Act 1996 who, with the advance agreement of the Council, have voluntarily left temporary accommodation to make alternative housing arrangements including staying with friends or relatives. This does not apply to those who have been given notice to leave by the Council, or who leave without giving the council advance notice."

I have attached Version 1.0 and Version 3.2 of the policies. There is a version history at the end of version 3.2 which shows all amendments made to the scheme since initial publication.

### **Right to review**

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Freedom of Information  
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Thank you for your interest in Lambeth Council.

Yours sincerely

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