

Temporary Housing placements Benchmarking

Borough	Numbers in TA March 24	Placements criteria
Newham	6,350	<p>Zone A1-Within the Borough</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSCE, A level taken in next 6 months. • One child with EHC plan • Significant medical need/Severe and enduring mental health condition requiring local treatment • Households with one child (or more) subject of a Child Protection Plan; or families who are helped by Children and Young People Services where it is confirmed that a transfer to another area would impact on their welfare • Households with one or more persons in receipt of a significant care package, which cannot be transferred to another area Households where one person (or more) has a severe and enduring mental health problem • Households who have a longstanding arrangement to provide care and support to another family member in Newham
		<p>Zone A2- Located outside Newham but within 30 minutes' travelling time by public transport from the nearest boundary of Newham</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households with children in key stages 4 and 5 but not due to sit GCSEs, AS, A Levels or BTEC exams (or equivalent) in the next six months
		<p>Zone B-Located within 60 minutes travelling by public transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households with children in key stages 1, 2 and 3 • Households where one person or more is/are in permanent and settled employment where they have been continuously employed for a period of six months and for 16 hours or more per week.
		<p>Zone C -All locations outside Zone B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk of gender based violence

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Lambeth	Not provided	<p>Zone A <i>Prioritised for temporary housing in Lambeth</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households subject to a child protection plan- where local placement necessary • Statement of Special Education Needs • Significant disability/medical needs- local placement necessary where their health or welfare may be significantly adversely affected by moving out of the borough, as assessed by the Council's Housing Medical Adviser.
		<p>Zone B- <i>Temporary Accommodation within the Local Area.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Local Area will include Lambeth (LBL) and adjacent boroughs to LBL or within approximately thirty minutes travelling time on public transport from any LBL boundary (Travelling time on public transport will be determined by the TFL website). Adjacent boroughs are: Southwark, Lewisham, Bromley, Croydon, Wandsworth, Merton and Sutton • Where a child has been assessed as being a Child in Need under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 and where need can only be met through the provision of accommodation local to Lambeth. • Households with one child (or more) in secondary school in the borough in their final year of Key Stage 4 (normally Year 11). • Households where one person (or more) is in permanent and settled employment (for at least six months prior to date of homelessness application). • Households where a member of the household is providing a significant amount of care for another person in the borough. <p>Zone C</p> <p>All other homeless households will be offered Temporary Accommodation wherever the borough is able to procure it including outside of London:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households who would otherwise be in Group A or B but who are unable to afford temporary accommodation in Lambeth or the Local Area, for instance, due to benefit restrictions
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Westminster	3,205	<p>Band A Westminster and the Local Area—<i>Within Westminster; or o Within an adjacent borough to Westminster City Council (Kensington & Chelsea, Camden, City of London, Brent, Wandsworth or Lambeth)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households where at least one member has a severe health condition or disability (including a severe mental health condition) that is long-term and requires intensive and specialised medical treatment/ aftercare that is either (a) only available in Westminster or (b) where a transfer of care would create serious risk to their safety or the sustainability of the treatment or care • Households where at least one member is receiving support through a commissioned care package or package of health care options provided in Westminster, where a transfer of care would create serious risk to their safety or the sustainability of the care • Households where at least one of the children has a Statement of Special Educational Needs or an Education, Health and Care Plan, is receiving education or educational support in Westminster and where it is demonstrated that a placement elsewhere would be seriously detrimental to their wellbeing • Households with a child where Family Services has Households which include a registered Westminster City Council approved foster carer who is fostering a Westminster looked after child • Households where at least one person can demonstrate that (a) they have a longstanding arrangement (or if the arrangement has started more recently, that it is likely to be longstanding) to provide high levels of care and support to another person in Westminster.
		<p>Band B -Greater London</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households with at least one child in their final year of Key Stage 4 (generally Year 11) or in Key Stage 5 (A levels or equivalent Level 3 vocational courses, such as BTECs, or GCSE re-sits in English and Maths) at a school or further education college in London • Where the applicant or their partner is accepted by the council as being in employment and has been working continuously for a period of at least six months in Westminster/ a Band 1 borough under a written contract of employment (permanent or temporary) which requires at least 16 hours a week. Parents who are on parental leave but who <i>intend to return to work will also be considered under the criterion</i> <p>Band C -Other Locations beyond Zone 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>All other homeless households may be rehoused beyond Band 2</i>

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Ealing	3,013	<p>Zone 1 Offer of accommodation within Ealing Borough</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households with one or more persons with a severe and enduring medical condition which requires ongoing intensive specialist medical treatment that is only available within Ealing or in a specialist hospital within London • Households with one or more persons with a severe and ensuring diagnosed mental illness and are receiving intensive treatment and aftercare services by local CMHT • Households with one or more persons in receipt of a significant care package administered by the Council and/or the NHS, which the Council accepts cannot be transferred to another area. • Households where one or more persons has a longstanding care responsibility for a family member who resides in Ealing. • Households where one or more persons is in permanent and settled employment within the Borough for the past 12 months to the homeless application, working a minimum of 16 hours (one person) or 24 hours (2 persons). • Households with children in their final year of Key Stage 4 education (normally Year 11) with primary exams to be held within the next 6 months. Children will be expected to utilise public transport to attend school. • Households with one or more children with a statement of special education needs or with a severe and enduring learning disability in receipt of specialist schooling within the Borough,. • Households with one or more children on the Council’s Child Protection Register, and subject to a Child Protection Plan administered by Ealing Social Services
		<p>Zone 2 Offer of accommodation within the West London Boroughs—including London Boroughs of Hillingdon, Brent, Harrow, Hounslow, Hammersmith & Fulham and Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea and/or within 45 minutes travel time (on public transport or private vehicle) to the nearest boundary of Ealing Borough, which can include West London Boroughs and other Boroughs inside and outside of London</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject to a Suitability assessment process <p>Zone 3 Offer of accommodation in any other area, which may be inside or outside</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject to a Suitability assessment process

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Bromley	1,646	<p><i>Priority for accommodation within the borough</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those who are receiving treatment for a physical or mental health condition from a specialist hospital unit which cannot be transferred to another NHS service or where they are at a critical point in their treatment. • Children subject to a Child Protection Plan in the London Borough of Bromley which cannot be transferred to another local authority without causing serious detriment to a child's welfare. • Children subject to a Statement of Special Educational Needs in the London Borough of Bromley which cannot be transferred to another local authority without causing serious detriment to the child's welfare. • In accordance with the criteria set out within the Allocation Scheme, those who have a longstanding arrangement to provide essential care to another resident of the London Borough of Bromley who is not part of the household. • Other circumstances which demonstrate an exceptional need which cannot be met outside of the London Borough of Bromley. <p>Priority for accommodation close to the borough.</p> <p>Those who are continuously employed within the London Borough of Bromley for 16 hours or more per week in a role which cannot be transferred to another area.</p> <p>Wherever, practicable the Local Authority will seek to place such households within 90 minutes travelling distance by public transport from their place of employment including women who are on maternity leave from employment.</p> <p>Children who are enrolled in GCSE, AS, or A level courses in the London Borough of Bromley, with public exams to be taken within the current or next academic year.-within 75 minutes journey time to and from school using public transport,</p> <p>Other exceptional circumstances, where applicants demonstrate an exceptional need to be housed close to the London Borough of Bromley</p> <p>No priority for accommodation within or close to the borough</p> <p>Applicants who meet none of the 'In-borough' or 'Close to Borough' criteria may automatically be offered properties further afield than 90 minutes travelling distance of the London Borough of Bromley by public transport, when no suitable property is available within these areas.</p>

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Haringey	2,625	<p><i>Priority for housing in the Borough</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members of an applicant’s household with a severe and enduring health condition requiring intensive and specialist medical treatment where a move from Haringey would disrupt that treatment and continuity of care • Members of an applicant’s household who are in receipt of a significant package and range of health care options that cannot be easily transferred. • Members of an applicant’s household with a severe and enduring mental health problem who are receiving psychiatric treatment and aftercare provided by community mental health services and have an established support network where a transfer of care would severely impact on their well being • Households with children registered on the Child Protection Register in Haringey who are linked into local services and where it is confirmed that a transfer to another area would adversely impact on their welfare. • Households containing a child with special educational needs who is receiving education or educational support in Haringey, where change would be detrimental to their well-being. • An applicant or a member of their household who have a longstanding arrangement to provide care and support to another family member in Haringey who is not part of the resident household and would be likely to require statutory health and social support if the care ceased. • An applicant or a member of their household who have a formal arrangement to receive housing related or other support, including addiction help or recovery, and where a move from Haringey would disrupt that support. • Any other special circumstance will also be taken into account (including any particular needs of the children in the household not already identified)

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Haringey continued		<p><i>Priority for placements within neighbouring boroughs will be given to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants who have as part of their household, a child or children who are enrolled in GCSE, AS or A level courses or post 16 vocational qualifications (for example, BTEC) in Haringey, with exams to be taken within the academic year. Wherever practicable we will seek to place such households within 60 minutes' travelling distance of their school or college. • Wherever practicable, an applicant or a member of their household who works for more than 16 hours per week will not be placed more than one hour travelling distance by public transport, from their place of employment. Consideration will also be given to the affordability of the travel arrangements needed to reach the place of employment. This will include women who are on maternity leave from employment. • An applicant or a member of their household who is in higher or adult education, vocational or professional training, a recognised apprenticeship, self-employed with a business predominantly in Haringey, have a confirmed start date to commence employment in Haringey or are enrolled in a Haringey work readiness programme. • Any other special circumstance will be taken into account (including any particular needs of the children in the household not already identified)
		<p><i>Residents who meet none of these criteria</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants who meet none of the above criteria are likely to be offered properties outside of Haringey and the neighbouring boroughs, in other parts of London or outside London.

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Hammersmith and Fulham	1,373	<p>Group 1 - Temporary Accommodation in Hammersmith & Fulham</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants with a severe and enduring health condition requiring intensive and enduring specialist medical treatment only available in Hammersmith and Fulham. • Applicants who are in receipt of a significant care package and a range of healthcare options which cannot be transferred. • Applicants with a severe and enduring mental health problem who are receiving psychiatric treatment and aftercare provided by local community mental health services and have an established support network
		<p>Group 2 Temporary Accommodation in Hammersmith & Fulham and the general London area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households containing a child or children with special educational needs who are receiving education or educational support at a local school in Hammersmith and Fulham, or in a neighbouring borough . • Households with one child (or more) who are attending a London school at key stages of education. • Households with a child(ren) registered on the Child Protection Register in Hammersmith and Fulham or families who have high social needs • Applicants who are currently in employment and who have been continuously employed for at least six months and where financial assessment confirms the cost of travel would render accommodation in another area unaffordable. <p>Group 2A Properties that do not meet the needs of any priority applicant will then be offered to non-priority applicants outside the borough on a date order basis. A refusal of a suitable offer will usually mean discharging duty if a property has been unreasonably refused</p> <p>Group 3 All other homeless households will be offered accommodation wherever the borough is able to procure it including outside Hammersmith and Fulham and the London area. Households who would otherwise be in Group 1 or 2 but who are unable to afford accommodation in Hammersmith & Fulham or the London area, for instance due to benefit restrictions</p>

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Hounslow	725	<p><i>Group A –Households that will not be considered for housing placements out of borough</i></p> <p>(a) Households with at least one child subject to a Child Protection Plan.</p> <p>(b) Households where Hounslow Council’s Director of Children’s and Adult’s Services has serious concerns about one or more children and are working intensively with the household, and evidence to confirm the concerns is provided to the Housing department.</p> <p>(c) Households with an applicant who has severe and enduring mental health problems who is receiving psychiatric treatment and aftercare provided by local community health services and have an established support network where a transfer of care would severely impact on their ability to engage with treatment and care plans.</p> <p>(d) Households where at least one member has a longstanding illness or a physical, mental or sensory impairment or learning disability which has a long term and substantial adverse effect on their ability to carry out normal day to day activities and is receiving regular (at least fortnightly) treatment at a hospital within Hounslow.</p> <p>(e) Households where at least one member is in receipt of a significant care package provided or sponsored by the council which cannot be transferred or where they are reliant on essential family / friend care and support and the distance would be unreasonable if placed outside the borough.</p> <p>(f) Single homeless applicants who are vulnerable, where essential or specialist support networks are dependent on the area they are accommodated in, and there is no option to transfer such services if placed out of the borough.</p> <p>(g) Single pregnant women, in their third trimester, whose ante-natal care cannot be transferred easily.</p> <p>(h) Households who are in employment or training in the borough and the travel costs and distance would be unreasonable for them if placed outside the borough.</p> <p>(i) Households or single people who are homeless due to domestic violence who have dependent networks in the borough, which cannot be maintained or replicated if the household is placed outside the borough.</p> <p>(j) In exceptional cases where households in Group A have had to be placed in temporary accommodation out of the borough, for example, in an emergency situation when no other interim accommodation was available locally, these households will be prioritised for a move back into the borough as soon as suitable accommodation becomes available</p>

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Hounslow (continued)		<p>Group B- Households who will be considered for placements both inside and outside the Borough</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households who voluntarily agree to accept accommodation outside the borough. • Households with a child/children all below year 9 at school that have no medical and/or special needs requirements or issues. • (Households with a child/children all below year 9 at school who have medical or special needs requirements or issues but the medical treatment or support received can be equally arranged or transferred to the placement borough. • Single pregnant women who have no medical and/or special needs requirements which may place the mother or unborn baby at substantial risk or adverse effect. • Single pregnant women who have a medical or special needs requirement or issues but the medical treatment or support received can be equally arranged or transferred to the placement borough. • Single homeless applicants who have no medical or special needs requirements. • Households with a child/children, pregnant women, and single homeless applicants who are fleeing domestic violence and do not fall under Group A, (i). • Households with a child/children, pregnant women and single homeless applicants who are not working in the borough. • Households and single people who are in work or training outside the borough providing travel costs and distance to work are reasonable.

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Waltham Forest	1175	<p>Zone A – located in the London Borough of Waltham Forest (LBWF)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households with one child (or more) in secondary school in the year at the end of which they take their GCSEs or AS or A level exams • Households with one child (or more) who has an Education Health and Care Plan. • Households with one child (or more) who is the subject of a Child Protection Plan • Households where one person (or more) is receiving NHS treatment for mental health problems from Secondary mental health services • Households where one person (or more) is receiving medical treatment that can only be provided by a specific medical facility: this group will be prioritised for housing as close as possible to the medical facility • Households where one person (or more) is in permanent and settled full time or part time employment and has been for at least three-months prior to the offer (or in appropriate circumstances the review) . . • Households where a member of the household is caring for another person in the borough <p>Zone B— located in Greater London and neighbouring districts in- Essex, Hertfordshire, Kent, Surrey, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire</p> <p>Zone C— located outside of Zones A and B</p> <p><i>The following circumstances will be taken into account when prioritising between households:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Level of need relating to the welfare and safeguarding of any children in the household</i> • <i>Level of educational need • Identified risks posed by living in particular areas</i> • <i>Permanency/flexibility of employment• Access to transport</i> • <i>Level of need to be close to services and amenities/ health services/ support networks</i> • <i>Level of need to be close to cultural or religious amenities</i> • <i>Impact on caring responsibilities/• Affordability of the accommodation</i> • <i>Impact of the relocation, and of occupying the accommodation on a continuing basis, on the well-being of household members</i>

Camden	5 out of 7 years	Not available-647 March 23	<p><i>Zone A- Located in London Borough of Camden</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Households with at least 1 child registered on Child Protection register • Camden Social Services involvement-serious concerns • Statement of SEN-where move seriously detrimental • Severe mental health- reliance on local psychiatric treatment • Significant care package • Household with ASB/MAPPA risk
			<p><i>Zone A2-Located in a nearby Borough (adjacent)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children in final year of key Stage 4 • Life threatening illness/severely disabled • Care leavers • Households -1 person employed in Camden • Households with caring duty
			<p><i>Zone B-Another London Borough</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Needs specific locally bases medical treatment • Households with Children in Secondary School/FE
			<p><i>Zone C-Located within 50 miles of London (inc Home Counties)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Needs to be in reasonable commuting distance of London
			<p><i>Zone D-All other households will be offered accommodation within the private rented sector wherever the Council is able to locate</i></p>

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Islington	1,239	<p data-bbox="640 229 1413 256"><i>Temporary Accommodation Location policy-(Summary)</i></p> <p data-bbox="640 277 1854 336">The council will, wherever possible, offer accommodation within the borough. If this is not possible, the council will offer accommodation as near as possible to the borough.</p> <p data-bbox="640 357 1861 416">The council will take account of relevant need factors when assessing the suitability of location of temporary accommodation, including:</p> <ul data-bbox="640 437 1868 1305" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="640 437 1868 655">• Affordability: We will take into account a household's income and source a property which has a rent that is affordable, as well as meets the household's needs. Due to high rents within Islington, this will often mean securing a property out of the borough. The household's ability to meet any shortfall between housing benefit paid and the rent charged will be taken into account. We will determine whether a household may be exempt from the general household benefit cap or whether they may be eligible for a Discretionary Housing Payment (DHP) to help pay the rent. <li data-bbox="640 676 1868 799">• Location: Where accommodation is sourced outside Islington, the distance of the property from Islington together with services, amenities and transport links in the new area will be taken into account. The potential impact of the location on family members will be considered. Specifically, the factors below will be taken into consideration; <li data-bbox="640 820 1868 1038">• Children's education; Children's ages and key educational stages will be taken into consideration, including any public examinations they will be taking. The practicalities of travel arrangements to existing schools will be considered including the cost and ease/length of time of travel. The possibility of transferring to schools closer to the property offered will also be considered. Children of primary school age may need to move to schools closer to their new home. Support (to be) provided to any children with special educational needs will also be taken into consideration. <li data-bbox="640 1059 1868 1182">• Childcare and other caring responsibilities; The feasibility of maintaining existing child care and / or other caring arrangements will be considered. The cost and availability of caring arrangements in the new area will also be explored, including travel time to that care provision. <li data-bbox="640 1203 1868 1305">• Employment: The ease and cost of travel from the location of the new property to existing place of work, including any shift patterns will be taken into account. The possibility of transferring to a workplace in the new area will also be explored.

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Wandsworth	3,391	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The golden rules are that, if accommodation in the borough is available, and if there is no known higher priority case for it, then the household being considered at the time should always be allocated that accommodation. If accommodation within the borough is not available, then accommodation should be allocated as close to the Borough as is available. • Bed and Breakfast and other emergency access accommodation Where bed and breakfast or other non-self-contained accommodation is all that is available officers should allocate in borough accommodation in all cases where such is available. Where in borough accommodation is not available, officers should look to place as close to the borough as possible . • Self-contained accommodation located within Wandsworth Priority will be given for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families with children in education in the borough where those children are too young or otherwise unable to commute to school and back again unaccompanied. • Families with children in special educational learning in Wandsworth for example the school for deaf children in Balham or one or other of the pupil referral units located in the borough unless there are good reasons to place outside of the borough. • Families with a household member attending very regular outpatient or inpatient hospital treatment e.g. on a weekly or a fortnightly basis. • Families with children coming up to major nationally assessed examinations GCSEs. • Families receiving very regular care from relatives/ friends in the borough or providing very regular care to relatives/friends in the borough • Self-contained accommodation located in boroughs adjacent to Wandsworth or otherwise in the SW London sub region- Priority will be given for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families with children presenting a mix between those able to commute to and from school accompanied and unaccompanied. • Families with regular attendance at hospitals located in the borough for outpatient treatment at a frequency of at least monthly. • Families with employment in the borough at irregular hours which makes travelling to and from the workplace by public transport very difficult. • Self-contained accommodation located elsewhere in London -Priority will be given to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families with children of an age able to commute to and from school unaccompanied. • Families with regular attendance at hospitals located in the borough for outpatient treatment at a frequency of greater than monthly. • Workless households • Self-contained accommodation out of London- Priority will be given to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families subject to the total welfare benefit cap where closer accommodation is not available

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Southwark	3,792	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zone A – Southwark and adjacent locality - This refers to areas bordering the borough that may be closer or more accessible than some part of the borough. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> If anyone in the household has a severe and enduring health condition requiring intensive and enduring specialist medical treatment only available at a Southwark's NHS service. <input type="checkbox"/> If anyone in the household are in receipt of a significant care package and a range of healthcare options which cannot be transferred. <input type="checkbox"/> If anyone in the household has a severe and enduring mental health problem who are receiving psychiatric treatment and aftercare provided by local community mental health services and have an established 2 support network where a transfer of care would severely impact upon their ability to engage with treatment and care plans. <input type="checkbox"/> Households containing a child or children with special educational needs who are receiving education or educational support at a local school in or in a neighbouring borough and where a change to another school or learning establishment would be detrimental to their continuing development. <input type="checkbox"/> Households with a child(ren) subject to a Southwark Child Protection Plan or families/ pregnant women who have high social needs who are linked into local support services and where it is verified that a transfer to another area could be detrimental to their welfare. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicants who are currently employed in borough and who have been continuously employed for at least six months and where financial assessment confirms the cost of travel would render accommodation in another area unaffordable. Each case will be assessed on an individual basis. <input type="checkbox"/> Pregnant women who are on maternity leave but who intend to return to work at their place of employment will also be considered under the criteria <input type="checkbox"/> Households who have a longstanding arrangement to provide care and support to another family member in Southwark who is not part of the resident household and would be likely to require statutory health and social support if the care ceased. <input type="checkbox"/> The household is receiving services locally and support can not be transferred to another area and in doing so would severely disrupt essential caring and support arrangements. <input type="checkbox"/> Any other special circumstance will also be taken into account. Zone B: London area a

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Southwark		<p>Zone B: London area and adjoining Counties with reasonable travel connections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Applicants who have been continuously employed in at a single location in Greater London for a period of six months, and for 16 hours or more per week where financial assessment confirms the cost of travel would render accommodation in another area unaffordable. Each case will be assessed on an individual basis. Women who are on maternity leave from employment and meet the above criteria would also be prioritised for placements in Greater London. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicants who have as part of their household, a child or children who are enrolled in public examination courses in Southwark, with exams to be taken within the next six months or at a Key Stage assessment. <input type="checkbox"/> Where a child is currently in a public exam year, we will seek to ensure that any accommodation offered is within reasonable travelling distance of school so they can continue their studies uninterrupted. <input type="checkbox"/> Any other special circumstance will be taken into account. <p>Zone C: Greater London and outside London</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Non-working (or less than 16h) households. <input type="checkbox"/> Households with children at nursery, primary or secondary school, who are not sitting public exams. <input type="checkbox"/> The household is receiving services locally but support could be transferred to another area without severely disrupting caring arrangements. <input type="checkbox"/> Households who are not considered a priority for accommodation in Band A or B will be considered for an offer of accommodation elsewhere in London or outside London (if accommodation has not been identified that is closer)

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Lewisham	2,702	<p>In-borough priority</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Priority for available in-borough accommodation will be given to certain households who have a compelling need to be housed within Lewisham. 2. Such priority does not guarantee an in-borough placement, but should suitable and affordable accommodation be available within that area, it does give that household priority over others without that assessed priority. 3. Applicants and their household members to be housed with them who satisfy one or more of the following criteria will qualify for in-borough priority: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. They are receiving treatment for a physical or mental health condition from a specialist hospital unit which cannot be transferred to another NHS service or they are at a critical point in their treatment b. they have a longstanding arrangement to provide care and support to another family member in Lewisham who is not part of the household. Carers will need be in receipt of Carer's Allowance and/or the person they care for must be in receipt of middle or high rate DLA care component or the daily living component of PIP. c. . Children subject to a Child Protection Plan in Lewisham which cannot be transferred to another local authority without causing serious detriment to a child's welfare. d. Children subject to an Education Health and Care Plan in Lewisham which cannot be transferred to another local authority without causing serious detriment to a child's welfare e. Other circumstances which demonstrate an exceptional and compelling need that cannot be met outside the borough

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Lewisham (cont)		<p>90 minutes travel priority</p> <p>4. Priority for accommodation within 90 minutes travelling distance of Lewisham by public transport (“90 minutes travel priority”) will be given to certain households who have a compelling need to be housed within that area.</p> <p>5. Such priority does not guarantee a placement within 90 minutes travelling distance of Lewisham by public transport, but should suitable and affordable accommodation be available within that area, it does give the household priority over others without that assessed priority.</p> <p>6. Applicants or their household members to be housed with them who satisfy one or more of the following criteria will qualify for 90 minutes travel priority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. They have been continuously employed within 90 minutes travelling distance of Lewisham for 16 hours or more per week in a role which cannot be transferred to another area. . b. Children who are enrolled in GCSE, AS, or A level courses in Lewisham, with public exams to be taken within the next this academic year. Wherever practicable we will seek to place such households within 90 minutes travelling distance of their school or college, by public transport. c. Other exceptional circumstances, where they demonstrate an exceptional and compelling need to be housed within 90 minutes travelling distance <p>No locational priority</p> <p>7. Applicants who meet none of the above criteria will be offered properties further afield than 90 minutes travelling distance of Lewisham by public transport, when no suitable property is available within Lewisham or within 90 minutes travelling distance of Lewisham by public transport.</p> <p>8. The Council will have regard to the principal needs of any children in the household, and to the need to safeguard and promote the children’s welfare. In particular, regard will be had to any disruption to schools, medical care, social work other key services and other support. However, due to the scarcity of temporary accommodation nearer to Lewisham, of themselves these factors will not normally confer locational priority</p>