



# Aspire Housing - Allocations

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# Our stock



- **8340** rental properties in Newcastle
- **186** in Cheshire and Stoke
- Manage **517** homes in Stoke
- **44** in Rugeley
- New build homes
- **994** re-lets and first lets 14/15

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# Nomination Arrangements

- 75% arrangement with NBC
- 3 out of 4 properties allocated via NBC's CBL scheme and Allocation policy – Homes Direct
- 25% allocated via Aspires own scheme and lettings policy

# Policy Aims

- Fair, efficient and easy
- Let our homes quickly
- Offer choice
- Facilitate transfers and promote mobility and exchange schemes.
- Develop balanced and sustainable communities

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# Aspires Lettings Policy

- Local connection – but not essential
- References where possible
- Homeowner – equity assessed
- Pre tenancy training
- Affordability
- Room eligibility according to welfare reform
- Community Contribution

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# Community Contribution\*

- Is currently in employment for a minimum of 16 hours a week and has been in regular employment for the past three months or more or
- Is volunteering for 6 or more hours a week for a recognised organisation and has done so for at least 6 months\* or
- Is undertaking work preparation training on a regular basis (e.g on going attendance at Job Clubs, Employment focused workshops and training) or
- Is an approved foster carer who needs to move to a larger home in order to accommodate a looked after child

\*APPLIES TO GENERAL NEEDS PROPERTIES ONLY

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# Band A



**BAND A - transferring tenants of Aspire requiring an emergency move:**

**BAND B - transferring tenants of Aspire with a defined housing need with top priority awarded to those with Community Contribution**

**BAND C - Non Aspire tenants with top priority awarded to those with Community Contribution**

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- Customer registers with HOMEHUNT
- They get an email every time Aspire uploads a property that matches their needs
- See something they like - express an interest
- Aspire assess their application according to policy
- Shortlist - A, B, C

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Thank you for your time

Any Questions ?

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