

Are you a Peabody resident who wants to:

- Move to a smaller/larger property?
- Move to a different part of London?
- Move out of London?
- Buy your own home?

Here we explain the various options open to you.



## Housing options

For Peabody residents who wish to move

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## Housing Moves

Housing Moves is the Mayor of London's housing mobility scheme that allows tenants of London boroughs or housing associations to move outside their existing borough to a different part of London. It is run by the Greater London Authority, and most London boroughs and housing associations are members of the scheme.

To qualify, you need to have a clear rent account or have set up a repayment plan and maintained payments for 12 weeks.

To register or to find out more, visit [www.housingmoves.org.uk](http://www.housingmoves.org.uk).

## Homefinder UK

This scheme allows people to find a home anywhere in the UK that better matches their household size and personal circumstances.

The scheme is funded and supported by a consortium of landlords who advertise properties on the Homefinder website. To find out more, and to view the properties on offer, visit [www.homefinderuk.org](http://www.homefinderuk.org).

Homefinder offers a tenancy support package to all applicants to help them make a successful move. This includes advice on personal budgeting, understanding the impact of welfare reform and information on the areas they wish to move to.

## Local authority waiting lists

Even though you're already a Peabody resident, you can approach your local authority to go on their housing list. However, there is no guarantee that you will be accepted, as each local authority has its own criteria.

For a list of local authority contact numbers, please visit [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk).

## Mutual exchange

An option you may also want to consider is mutual exchange, which allows you to exchange your home with tenants from other local authorities or housing associations.

To register or find out more, visit [www.houseexchange.org.uk](http://www.houseexchange.org.uk). This is a free service available to Peabody residents and you could be in a new home within 42 days after finding a swap partner.

## Intermediate and market rental

As well as the option to rent in the private sector, you could consider Peabody's Intermediate Market Rent (IMR) and Market Rent (MR) portfolio. Our IMR homes are let at less than the market rate on an assured short-hold tenancy. The rent charged is normally 20% lower than if you were renting a similar home in a similar area from a private landlord. Our MR homes have rents similar to other privately rented homes in the area.

IMR and MR homes are available to home seekers who do not qualify for social rent homes, for example, adult children of Peabody residents. Up-to-date details of all our available properties can be found on our website [www.peabody.org.uk](http://www.peabody.org.uk) under 'find a home'.

## Home ownership

If you're interested in affordable home ownership, you can register with First Steps, which is run by the Mayor of London to help people on low or modest incomes buy a home at a price they can afford. To apply, or for more information, visit [www.shareto-buy.com](http://www.shareto-buy.com).

For further information, please contact our **Lettings Team** by calling Peabody Direct on **020 7021 4444** or **0800 022 4040**.