



Appendix 4

Consultation on Neath Port Talbot Council & Tai Tarian Shared Housing Lettings Policy 2021



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1 - Background

2 - What are the aims of this consultation?

The aims of the consultation are to:-

- Make sure that all interested parties are aware of the proposed changes to the Council & Tai Tarian's Shared Housing Lettings Policy.
- Provide clear information so that people understand why the changes are necessary.
- Make sure that people have all the information they need to come to an informed opinion about the proposed changes.
- Encourage people to give their views on the proposed changes (outlined in section 4).
- Make sure people know how to submit their views.
- Collect feedback and consider this before a final decision is made.

3 - When will the consultation take place?

- The Council will be collecting feedback for 13 weeks from Monday 28 June 2021 to Friday 24 September 2021 (see section 6 for how to give your views).
- After the consultation ends, all of the feedback will be analysed and a report will be presented to Cabinet Board. This report will set out any changes recommended, taking into account the feedback from the consultation.

4 - Summary of the Policy

The Shared Housing Lettings Policy is important because it sets out who is eligible to be included on the local Homes By Choice housing register, how to apply for housing, how an applicant's housing need is assessed, and how available housing is allocated.

The Homes by Choice register is held and administered by Tai Tarian, on behalf of Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council, and that is why it is a Joint Policy.

There is a legal requirement to regularly review the policy and such a review has just recently been completed.

Not many significant changes have been made to the Policy, other than to improve its format generally and update any references to now out-dated law.

A summary document has been produced and that is available on the Council's "Consultations" webpages:

<https://www.npt.gov.uk/5907> (English) &

<https://www.npt.gov.uk/5907?lang=cy-gb> (Welsh).

If you are unable to access this you can request that a paper version is sent to you by:

E-mailing your name and address to housing.strategy@npt.gov.uk
or

Telephoning (01639) 685207 and leaving your name and address on the answerphone.

5. How will the Council collect your views?

Ideally we would like you to complete the online questionnaire available on the Council's "Consultations" webpages - <https://www.npt.gov.uk/5907> (English) & <https://www.npt.gov.uk/5907?lang=cy-gb> (Welsh).

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Please do not include any individual housing application enquiries as part of this process because they will not be responded to.