Where to get housing advice in Kensington and Chelsea

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- Affordable ownership (shared ownership) opportunities
 Housing Options Team Royal Borough
 <u>www.sharetobuy.com/london</u>
- How the Council allocates social housing
 Factsheet 2 Choice-based Lettings
 Online self-assessment form this helps you to understand the
 likelihood of you being rehoused
 http://www.rbkc.gov.uk/housing/socialhousing/selfassessmentform.
 aspx
 Housing Nominations Team Royal Borough
- Re-housing on health grounds
 Factsheet 4 Housing, Health and Disability Assessments
 Housing Options Team Royal Borough
- Homelessness and homelessness prevention
 Factsheet 5 Are you homeless or about to lose your home?
 Homelessness Advice and Assistance Team Royal Borough
- Homelessness (16/17 year olds)
 Family and Children's Services Royal Borough
 - Relocating out of London Factsheet 6 - The HomeStart Scheme – Moving out of London Factsheet 10 - The Seaside and Country Homes Scheme – Moving to the seaside or countryside if you are over 60 years old

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Factsheet 8 - The Mutual Exchange Scheme – Swapping your property with another housing association or Council tenant, either within or outside of London Housing Options Team – Royal Borough

- Incentives to free up accessible properties
 Factsheet 7 The Mobility Transfer Scheme Moving out of your
 ground floor property
 Housing Options Team Royal Borough
- Mutual Exchange for social housing tenants
 Factsheet 8 The Mutual Exchange Scheme Swapping your
 property with another housing association or Council tenant,
 either within or outside of London
 Housing Options Team Royal Borough
- Overcrowding
 Factsheet 9 Are you living in overcrowded conditions?
 Housing Options Team Royal Borough
- Supported accommodation
 Factsheet 11 Accessing supported housing and hostels
 Social Inclusion Team Royal Borough
- Maintaining a tenancy and independent living
 Factsheet 12 Access to Tenancy Support Services
 Social Inclusion Team Royal Borough
- Temporary accommodation for homeless people
 Factsheet 13 Temporary Accommodation
 Temporary Accommodation and Allocation Team Royal Borough

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• Help to move to a smaller property

Factsheet 14 - The Under-occupation Scheme – moving to a smaller property Leaflet – Housing Benefit: spare bedroom restrictions Housing Options Team – Royal Borough

• Disrepair

Social housing tenants Factsheet 16 - *Does your home need repairs?* Housing Options Team – Royal Borough

Private sector tenants Environmental Health – Royal Borough Staying First

Domestic violence

Factsheet 17 - *Domestic Violence, advice for social housing tenants* Homelessness Advice and Assistance Team – Royal Borough Advance (Independent Domestic Violence Advisor)

• Tenancy rights (inc. relationship breakdown)

Social housing tenants Factsheet 18 - Your Tenancy Rights Tenant's social landlord Housing Options Team – Royal Borough

Private sector tenants (inc. harassment and illegal eviction) Tenancy Relations Officer – Royal Borough Staying First

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- Rent increases and rent assessments
 Benefits Assessment Team Royal Borough
- Housing Benefit changes and Local Housing Allowance caps Leaflet – Housing Benefit is changing Leaflet – Housing Benefit: spare bedroom restrictions Benefits Assessment Team – Royal Borough Housing and Homelessness Assessment Team – Royal Borough

Contact details: Council services

General

Further information and our Housing factsheets are available online: <u>www.rbkc.gov.uk/housing</u>. If you do not have internet access, you can ask Housingline to send you a copy of any of the factsheets you need.

Telephone020 7361 3008 (Housingline)Monday to Friday8.30am to 5.30pmEmailhousing@rbkc.gov.ukIn personCustomer Services Centre (Town Hall)Monday to Friday8.30am to 5pm

Kensington and Chelsea Tenant Management Organisation (KCTMO)

Telephone 0800 137 111 or 020 3617 7080

In person KCTMO Hub, 292a Kensal Road, W10 5BE Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm

> Blantyre Street, SW10 0DS Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm

Lancaster West Estate Office, Grenfell Tower, W11 1TQ Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 4.30pm Closed between 1pm to 1.30pm and Fridays 8.30am to 1pm

• Housing and Homelessness Assessment Team

Telephone 020 7361 3008 (Housingline) Email housing@rbkc.gov.uk

• Housing Opportunities Team

Telephone02073613008 (Housingline)Emailhousingopportunities@rbkc.gov.uk

• Social Inclusion Team

Telephone020 7361 3008 (Housingline)EmailSIT@rbkc.gov.uk

• Tenancy Relations Officer

Telephone020 7361 3008 (Housingline)Emailhousing@rbkc.gov.uk

• Housing Benefits

Telephone02073613006Emailbenefits@rbkc.gov.uk

• Environmental Health

Telephone 020 7361 3002 (Environmental Healthline Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm)

Email <u>environmentalhealth@rbkc.gov.uk</u>

Contact details: Non-Council services

• Staying First

Telephone 020 8996 8890 Monday to Friday 10.30am to 3pm

In person Westway Information Centre, 140 Ladbroke Grove (opposite Ladbroke Grove underground station), W10 5ND Tuesday 5 to 7pm The Learning Space, Brompton Library, 210 Old Brompton Road, SW5 0BS Thursday 3 to 5pm

• Nucleus Legal Advice Centre

Telephone 020 7373 4005 (Advice Line)

- In person 298 Old Brompton Road, SW5 9JF Monday 1.30 to 4pm Tuesday 3.30 to 6pm Thursday 10am to 12.30pm
- Web www.nucleus.org.uk

• Citizens Advice Bureau – Kensington and Chelsea

Telephone 0844 826 9708

- In person Chelsea Old Town Hall or Westway Information Centre Drop-in: Monday, Tuesday (Kensington only), Wednesday, Friday 10am to 12.30pm By appointment: Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm
- Web <u>www.citizensadvice.org.uk</u>

• Advance (Independent Domestic Violence Advisor)

Telephone 020 8960 7016

Web <u>www.advanceadvocacyproject.org.uk</u>

• Shelter (housing and homelessness national charity)

Telephone 0808 800 4444 (calls are free from UK landlines and main mobile networks) 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday

Web <u>www.shelter.org.uk</u>