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There are variations of shared ownership models which have different features. The model of shared ownership may vary depending on:

- what rules were in place at the time the home was funded or planning permission granted
- where the home is located
- whether the home is for a specific group of people

The table below highlights the key features of common shared ownership schemes. The information in this document is for the **new model shared ownership**.

Shared ownership	Older model	Standard model	New model
model	shared	shared ownership	shared
	ownership		ownership
Minimum initial share	25%	25%	10%
Lease length	Typically, leases	Leases are for a	Leases will be for
	were issued for	minimum of 99	a minimum of
	99 years from	years from new but	990 years from
	new	typically at least	new
		125 years	
Initial repair period	No	No	Yes
Buying more shares -	10% or 25%	10%	5%
minimum purchase			
1% share purchase	No	No	Yes
Landlord's nomination	8 weeks or 12	8 weeks	4 weeks
period	weeks		

When you are looking for shared ownership homes, you should always check the Key Information Document to see which model covers that specific home.

When you buy a home through shared ownership, you enter into a shared ownership lease. The lease is a legal agreement between you (the 'leaseholder') and the landlord. It sets out the rights and responsibilities of both parties.

Before committing to buy a shared ownership property, you should take independent legal and financial advice.

This key information document is to help you decide if shared ownership is right for you. You should read this document carefully so that you understand what you are buying, and then keep it safe for future reference. This document 'Key information about the home' is a summary and you should consider the information in 'Summary of costs' and 'Guide to shared ownership' before making a decision.

This does not form part of the lease. You should carefully consider the information and the accompanying lease and discuss any issues with your legal adviser before signing the lease.

Failure to pay your rent, service charge, or mortgage could mean your home is at risk of repossession.

The costs in this document are the costs as at the date issued. These will increase (typically on an annual basis) and you should take financial advice on whether this will be sustainable for you.

Scheme   New Model Shared ownership	Address	7 Seymour Mews, Petworth, West Sussex, GU28 OFN			
Full market value  £470,000  Share purchase price £188,000 (40% share)  The share purchase price offered to you will be based on an assessment of what you can afford.  Rent examples  The share purchase price is calculated using the full market value and the percentage share purchased.  If you buy a 40% share, the share purchase price will be £188,000 and the rent will be £646.25 a month.  If you buy a larger share, you'll pay less rent. The table below shows further examples.  Share  Share Purchase Monthly rent Price  10% £47,000 £969.38  25.00% £117,500 £807.81  30.00% £1141,000 £753.96  40.00% £188,000 £646.25  50.00% £235,000 £538.54  60.00% £282,000 £430.83  70.00% £329,000 £323.12  75.00% £352,500 £269.27  The percentage share and rent amount will change depending on the amount you can afford. You'll receive a	Property type	3 bedroom house			
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Your annual rent is calculated as 2.75% of the remaining		depending on the amount you can afford. You'll receive a worked example after a financial assessment.			

Monthly payment to the landlord	In addition to the rent above, the monthly payment to the landlord includes:	
	Service charge* £5.20 Buildings insurance £7.42 Management fee £0.78 Reserve fund payment £8.33  Total monthly payment excluding rent £21.74  *Service charges will be reviewed annually with any changes coming into effect on the 1st April each year.	
Reservation fee	£250	
	You'll need to pay a reservation fee to secure your home. When you pay the fee, no one else will be able to reserve the home.	
	If you buy the home, the fee will be taken off the final amount you pay on completion. If you do not buy the home, the fee is not refundable.	

Eligibility	You can apply to buy the home if both of the following apply:	
	<ul> <li>your household income is £80,000 or less</li> <li>you cannot afford all of the deposit and mortgage payments to buy a home that meets your needs</li> </ul>	
	One of the following must also be true:	
	<ul> <li>you're a first-time buyer</li> <li>you used to own a home but cannot afford to buy one now</li> </ul>	
	you're forming a new household - for example, after a relationship breakdown      you're an existing shared owner, and you want to	
	<ul> <li>you're an existing shared owner, and you want to move</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>you own a home and want to move but cannot afford a new home for your needs</li> </ul>	
	If you own a home, you must have completed the sale of the home on or before the date you complete your shared ownership purchase.	
	As part of your application, your finances and credit history will be assessed to ensure that you can afford and sustain the rental and mortgage payments.	
	Also, you must have a local connection to CHICHESTER DISTRICT COUNCIL either through residency, work or family.	
Tenure	Leasehold	
Lease type	Shared ownership house lease	
Lease term	990 years	
	For more information, see section 2.5, 'Lease extensions', in the 'Key information about shared ownership' document.	
Rent Review	Your rent will be reviewed each year by a set formula using the Retail Prices Index (RPI) for the previous 12 months plus 0.5%	
	For more information, see the Rent Review section in the 'Summary of Costs' document which includes an example of how rent could increase over a 5 year period. A worked example demonstrating how the rent is calculated at review is also set out in Appendix 2 of the lease.	

Maximum share you can own	You can buy up to 100% of your home.	
Transfer of freehold	At 100% ownership, the freehold will transfer to you.	
Landlord	Aster Group, Sarsen Court, Horton Avenue, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 2AZ  Under a shared ownership lease, you pay for a percentage share of the market value of a home. You enter into a lease agreement with the landlord, and agree to pay rent to the landlord on the remaining share.	
Initial repair period	Up to £500 a year for the first 10 years to help with essential repairs. For more information, see section 5, 'Maintaining and living in the home', in the 'Key information about shared ownership' document.  For more information, see section 5, 'Maintaining and living in the home', in the 'Key information about shared ownership' document.	
Landlord's first option to buy	When you give the landlord notice that you intend to sell your share in your home, the landlord has 4 weeks to find a buyer. (The landlord may offer to buy back your share, but only in exceptional circumstances and if they have funds available.) If they do not find a buyer within 4 weeks, you can sell your share yourself on the open market. For example, through an estate agent.	
Pets	You are allowed to keep pets in your house. The landlord is unlikely to allow permission to keep pets in flats that form part of a block but exceptions can sometimes be made. All permissions must be sought prior to occupation.	

## Subletting

You can rent out a room in the home, but you must live there at the same time.

You cannot sublet (rent out) your entire home unless you either:

- own a 100% share; or
- have your landlord's permission which they will only give in exceptional circumstances (see section 1.5 in 'Key information about shared ownership' document)

and

 have your mortgage lender's permission if you have a mortgage



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