

Key information about the home

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 standard model shared ownership.

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

So Living is part of Plymouth Community Home (PCH). PCH is a registered landlord which provides both newly built homes and existing homes for resale.





Property Details

Address	Bellwood View – Plot 173, PL12 6GP		
Property type	2-bedroom house		
Scheme	Shared ownership		
Full market value	£240,000		
Share Purchase Price and Rent Examples	The share purchase price is calculated using the full market value and the percentage share purchased. If you buy a 32% share, the share purchase price will be		
	£76,800 and the rent will be £340.00 a month.		
	If you buy a larger share, you'll pay less rent. The table below shows further examples.		
	Share	Share Purchase Price	Monthly rent
	25%	£60,000	£375.00
	30%	£72,000	£350.00
	40%	£96,000	£300.00
	50%	£120,000	£250.00
	60%	£144,000	£200.00
	70%	£168,000	£150.00
	75%	£180,000	£125.00
	depending on the a worked example after Your annual rent is	are and rent amount mount you can affor ter a financial asses calculated as 2.5% rket value owned by	d. You'll receive a sment. of the remaining
Monthly payment to the landlord	In addition to the rent above, the monthly payment to the landlord includes:		
	Service charge Estate charge Buildings insurance Management fee Reserve fund paym	£2.74 nent £0.00	004.47
	lotal monthly paym	nent excluding rent	£31.1/
Reservation fee	£500.00		



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.

The reservation fee secures the home for 84 days, subject to practical completion of the property. the fee will be credited to your rent account on completion. If you cancel within the first 14 days from the date of the offer, we will pay back the reservation fee in full. After 14 days, we will pay back the reservation fee deducting any incurred costs.

Eligibility

You can apply to buy the home if both of the following apply:

- your household income is £80,000 or less, and
- you cannot afford all of the deposit and mortgage payments to buy a home that meets your needs

One of the following must also be true:

- you're a first-time buyer
- you used to own a home but cannot afford to buy one now
- you're forming a new household for example, after a relationship breakdown
- you're an existing shared owner, and you want to move
- you own a home and want to move but cannot afford to buy a new home for your needs

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 Cornwall Council through residency, work or family.

A local connection for this home is defined as:

- a. being permanently resident therein for a continuous period of at least 12 months immediately prior to advertising and that residence is of their own choice; or
- b. being formerly permanently resident therein for a continuous period of five (5) years; or



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	c. having his or her place of permanent work (normally regarded as 16 hours or more a week and not including seasonal employment) therein immediately prior to Advertising; or d. having a connection through a close family member (normally mother, father, brother, sister, son or daughter) where the family member is currently resident therein and has been so for a continuous period of at least five (5) years immediately prior to Advertising. Certain serving and former members of the armed forces are exempt from needing to have a local connection. The Council reserves the right not to allow the sale of an affordable dwelling to a qualifying Person with a local connection with the Town should the sale result in an under occupancy of the Affordable dwelling by more than one bedroom.
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	Plymouth Community Homes Plumer House Tailyour Road Plymouth PL6 5DH



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	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.
Landlord's nomination period	When you give the landlord notice that you intend to sell your share in your home, the landlord has 8 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 8 weeks, you can sell your share yourself on the open market. For example, through an estate agent.
Pets	Plymouth Community Homes has a pet policy this can be found on our website here
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