

# HOUSING NEEDS IN THE PARISH OF LEIGH

Please complete this survey on behalf of your household.

## SECTION 1

**Q1. What type of housing do you live in?**  *Private rented*  *Tied tenancy*  *Living with relatives*  
 *Housing Association rented*  *Housing Association shared ownership*  *Owner occupier (with or without mortgage)*  
 *Other* \_\_\_\_\_

**Q2. Please enter the following information -**  
 Number of bedrooms in your home  Number of people that currently live in the property

**Q3. How long have you lived in Leigh?**  
 *Less than 1 year*  *1-3 years*  *3-5 years*  *5-10 years*  *10+ years*

**Q4. Have any members of your family/household left Leigh in the last 5 years? If your answer is No, please go directly to Q8**  *Yes*  *No*

**Q5. If you answered yes to Q4, please state what relationship they have to you.**  
 *Child*  *Parent*  *Other relative*  *Other* *please specify* \_\_\_\_\_

**Q6. Please indicate the reason why they left**  
 *Lack of affordable housing*  *To attend university/college*  *Employment*  
 *Other* \_\_\_\_\_

**Q7. Would they return if more affordable accommodation could be provided?**  *Yes*  *No*

If they would like to return they are welcome to complete a survey and can request a form by contacting the Rural Housing Enabler on 01303 813790 or by email to [tessa.osullivan@ruralkent.org.uk](mailto:tessa.osullivan@ruralkent.org.uk)

**Q8. Would you support a small development of affordable housing if there was a proven need for people with a genuine local connection to Leigh?**  
 *Yes*  *No*

**Q9. Please use this space if you wish to explain your answer to Question 8.**

**Q10. Please state any sites you think might be suitable for a local needs housing development in Leigh**

**Q11. Do you or a member of your household need separate or alternative accommodation either now or in the next 2 or 5 years?**  
 *No*  *Yes, now*  *Yes, next 2 years*  *Yes, next 5 years*

**IF YOU HAVE ANSWERED YES TO Q11 PLEASE CONTINUE WITH SECTION 2.**

## SECTION 2

## HOUSING NEEDS

If you or anyone else living in your house is in need of alternative housing, please continue with the questionnaire. Please complete one form per household in housing need.

If you need another form e.g. for a family member who would like to set up their first independent home or has had to previously leave the Parish due to a lack of affordable housing please contact the Rural Housing Enabler on 01303 813790 or by email to [tessa.osullivan@ruralkent.org.uk](mailto:tessa.osullivan@ruralkent.org.uk)

Q12. Are you completing this form for yourself or someone else?

Self

Someone else

Q13. If you are completing this for someone else please state their relationship to you and where they currently live eg. with parents, private renting etc.

**Please continue to complete this form by answering the questions in respect of the person/household in need of alternative accommodation.**

Q14. Please provide the name of address of the head of the household in housing need. Your details will remain confidential to the Rural Housing Enabler at Action with Communities in Rural Kent. We may use this information to contact you again if we need to update the findings of this survey in the future.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Q15. If you live outside Leigh do you wish to return?

Yes

No

Q16. If you live in Leigh do you wish to stay in Leigh?

Yes

No

Q17. What is your connection with Leigh? Please tick all that apply

I currently live in Leigh and have done so continuously for the last 3 years

I have previously lived in Leigh and have immediate\* family who currently live there and have done so continuously for the last 10 years

I have lived in Leigh for a total of 5 out of the last 10 years

I am in full time employment in Leigh\*\*

I need to move to Leigh to take up full time employment\*\*

I provide an important service in Leigh that requires me to live locally\*\*

I need to move to Leigh to give or receive support to or from an immediate\* family member

\*Immediate = mother, father, children or brother/sister. Extended family will only be considered if that relative has played an important role in the applicant's upbringing

\*\*The applicant's place of work/service must be located in Leigh

**Q18. What type of household will you be in alternative accommodation?**

- Single person       Couple       Family       Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Q19. How many people in each age group need alternative accommodation?**

**MALE**

- 0-15     16-19     20-24     25-44     45-59     60-74     75-84     85+

**FEMALE**

- 0-15     16-19     20-24     25-44     45-59     60-74     75-84     85+

**Q20. Why are you seeking a new home (please tick all that apply)**

- Present home in need of major repair       To be nearer family       To be nearer work       Retirement  
 Present home too expensive       Need smaller home       Divorce/separation       New job  
 Current home affecting health       Private tenancy ending       First independent home       Lodging  
 Setting up home with partner       Need larger home       Difficulty maintaining home  
 To move to a better/safer environment       Disability/disabled       Cannot afford existing mortgage  
 More suitable housing due to older age       Access problems       Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Q21. What is your current housing situation?**

- Owner occupier with/without mortgage       Living with relatives       Renting privately       Shared ownership  
 Renting from Housing Association       Tied tenancy       Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Q22. Please tell us in your own words why you need to move and what prevents you from doing so.**

**Q23. What type of housing do you feel you need? Please tick any that apply.**

- Flat       House  
 Level access accommodation suitable for older persons/people with a disability (without support services)  
 Level access accommodation suitable for older persons/people with disabilities (with on-site support services e.g. Extra Care)

**Please explain why you have chosen this option/s**

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**Q24. Which tenure would best suit your housing need?**

- Renting - Housing Association*                       *Shared ownership (part rent-part buy) - Housing Association*
- Self build - typically involves commissioning the construction of a new home from a builder or contractor, or physically building the home for yourself*

**Q25. How many bedrooms would you like?**

- 1                       2                       3                       4                       5+

**Q26. Please indicate the total gross annual income (before tax) of the household in housing need (joint if a couple). Do not include housing benefit or council tax benefit.**

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Under £10,000</i>     | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>£30,000 - £35,000</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>£10,000 - £15,000</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>£35,000 - £40,000</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>£15,000 - £20,000</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>£40,000 - £50,000</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>£20,000 - £25,000</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>£50,000 - £60,000</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>£25,000 - £30,000</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>More than £60,000</i> |

**Q27. How much money would you be able to raise as a deposit towards buying your own home?**

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**Q28. Do you have any particular or specialised housing requirements e.g. to assist with a disability or special need? (Please provide details).**

**Q29. Are you registered on the Sevenoaks District Housing Register?**     *Yes*                       *No*

**To be considered for affordable housing you must also register on Sevenoaks District Council's Housing Register.**

**If you would like to register contact the Housing Options Team at West Kent Housing Association who manage the Register on behalf of Sevenoaks District Council on 01732 749433 or go to [www.kenthomechoice.org.uk](http://www.kenthomechoice.org.uk)**

**Information on this form will be used to provide a summary of the level of housing need in Leigh. Personal information will remain confidential to Action with Communities in Rural Kent.**

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