

Other useful contacts:

Citizens Advice Bureau
Tel. 0870 121 2028

Council's Housing Options Team
Tel. 0845 907 2244 ext 3590
(local rate no)
Email: homelessness@erewash.gov.uk

Derbyshire Housing Aid
Free, impartial housing advice
Tel. 01332 287850

Homeless Out of Office Hours?
Rapid Response Team
Tel. 01773 728222

Hostels, advice & support services
www.homelessuk.org

Shelter free housing advice helpline
Tel. 0808 800 4444

Samaritans
Tel. 0845 790 9090

Victim Support
Tel. 0845 30 30 900

Women's Aid
Tel. 0808 2000 247

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0845 907 2244**



Help With Finding Private Rented Accommodation

If you need this information in your language, please contact us using one of the methods below.

“જો તમારે આ માહિતીની તમારી પોતાની ભાષામાં જરૂર હોય, તો નીચેની પદ્ધતિઓમાંથી એકનો ઉપયોગ કરીને કાઉન્સિલનો સંપર્ક સાધો.”

如果您需要您自己语言的此信息，请通过以下方法之一与委员会联系。

“ਜੇ ਇਹ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿਚ ਚਾਹੀਦੀ ਹੋਵੇ, ਤਾਂ ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਵਿਚੋਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਇੱਕ ਤਰੀਕੇ ਦੀ ਵਰਤੋਂ ਕਰਦੇ ਹੋਏ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਨਾਲ ਸੰਪਰਕ ਕਰੋ।”

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**Ilkeston Town Hall, Wharnccliffe Road, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 5RP
Long Eaton Town Hall, Derby Road, Long Eaton, Derbyshire NG10 1HU**



Work out your housing need

Choose accommodation that you need rather than what you necessarily want. This is especially the case for those people who will be applying for Local Housing Allowance (Housing Benefit) to pay their rent.

Where to look for property

There are a number of ways to do this:

- Local newspaper
- Local shop windows
- Community noticeboards
- Letting agents - a full list is available
- Websites eg www.rightmove.co.uk

What to do if you have found a private rented property

If you require advice in looking for private rented accommodation please call the Housing Options Team on 0845 907 2244 ext 3590 or alternatively attend one of our drop in surgeries within the Borough.

Do you need a Deposit?

Most landlords will ask you for a deposit for a property. This is usually the same as one month's rent. If you cannot afford a deposit of your own you may be able to receive assistance from Erewash Borough Council's **Bond Guarantee Scheme**. For further information telephone 0845 907 2244 ext 3590

Other fees you may have to pay:

- **Rent In Advance** - Most landlords like their rent paid in advance and would expect you to provide the first month's rent up-front before you move into the tenancy. Contact Erewash Borough Council's Housing Options Team on 0845 907 2244 Ext 3590 for further advice.
- **Letting Agents Fees** - If you rent your property via a letting agent you will have to pay agency fees for their service. Check out what they are to see if you can afford them.

Credit Union

A credit union now exists in the Borough. You may be able to use this scheme to save for your bond or rent in advance. For more details contact Erewash Credit Union, 9-10 Havelock Street, Ilkeston, DE7 5RJ, or telephone 0115 932 9493

Signing for a property

Make sure you get the following from your new landlord:

- Tenancy Agreement / Rent Book
- List of contents
- Copy of annual gas and electric safety check

Moving in

Furniture - Most properties are let unfurnished. The Salcare project may be able to help low cost and you can contact them on **01773 764562**

We can provide a referral letter if this will help.

If you are in receipt of Income Support or Income-Based Job Seekers' Allowance, you may also be able to receive financial assistance from the Social Fund at the Department of Work and Pensions. Please contact your local office to apply.

What next?

- Register with gas/electric/water supplies
- Register for Council Tax at Town Hall, Ilkeston or Long Eaton