



Cheshire West & Chester Council

Empty Homes Matching Service



Building futures, opening doors



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What is the Empty Homes Matching Service?

The Matching Service “matches” and brings together those empty home owners who wish to sell their empty home with an accredited landlord or registered letting agent who wishes to purchase an empty home and bring it back into use.

How does the Matching Service work?

A member of our Empty Homes Service will help introduce an accredited landlords or letting agent to an empty home owner with a view to purchasing the property and bringing the empty home back into use.

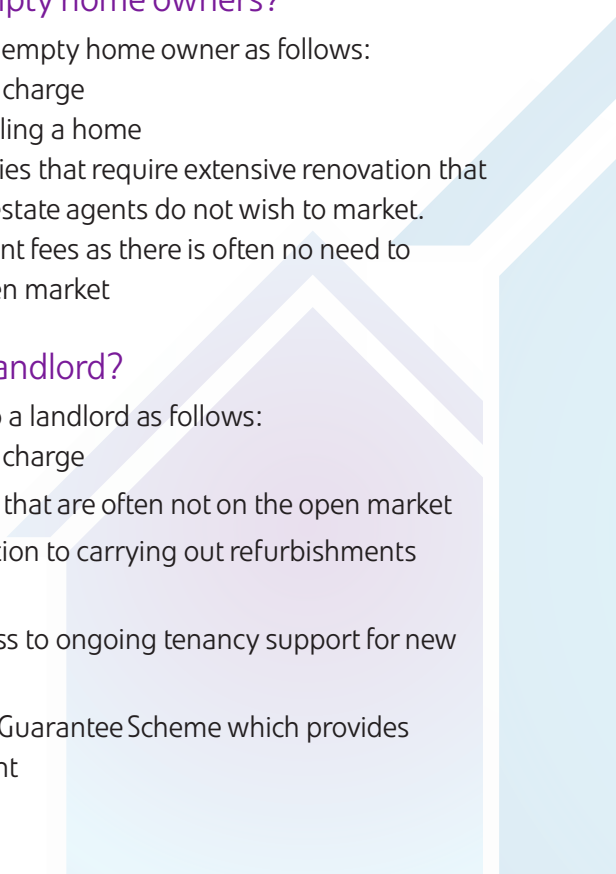
What are the benefits to empty home owners?

There a number of benefits to an empty home owner as follows:

- The Matching Service is free of charge
- Helps take the hassle out of selling a home
- Provides an option for properties that require extensive renovation that cannot secure a mortgage or estate agents do not wish to market.
- Can help to save on estate agent fees as there is often no need to advertise the home on the open market

What are the benefits to a landlord?

There are a number of benefits to a landlord as follows:

- The Matching Service is free of charge
 - Landlord has access to homes that are often not on the open market
 - Access to grants/loans in relation to carrying out refurbishments and repairs
 - Help to find a tenant and access to ongoing tenancy support for new tenant
 - Access to our Enhanced Bond Guarantee Scheme which provides cover for up to two months rent
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How do I become part of the Matching Service?

Being part of the Empty Homes Matching Service is simple:

If you are an Empty home owner

You will need to complete an **Empty Home Owner Application Form** by contacting a member of our Empty Homes Service on 0300 123 7038 alternatively, you can email emptyhomes@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

If you are a landlord

You must be accredited with the Cheshire Landlord Accreditation Scheme. You will need to complete a **Matching Service Landlord/Letting Agent Information Form** by contacting a member of our Empty Homes Service on 0300 123 7038 alternatively, you can email emptyhomes@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk.

If you are a letting agent

You must be a member of Association of Residential Letting s Agents (ARLA) or National Approved Letting Scheme (NALS). You will also need to complete a **Matching Service Landlord/Letting Agent Information Form** by contacting a member of our Empty Homes Service on 0300 123 7038 alternatively, you can email emptyhomes@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk.

Accessing Cheshire West and Chester Council information and services

Council information is also available in Audio, Braille, Large Print or other formats. If you would like a copy in a different format, in another language or require a BSL interpreter, please email us at equalities@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

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Pokud byste požadovali informace v jiném jazyce nebo formátu, kontaktujte nás

Jezeli chcieliby Państwo uzyskać informacje w innym języku lub w innym formacie, prosimy dać nam znać.

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如欲索取以另一語文印製或另一格式製作的資料，請與我們聯絡。

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