

Council Matters



Choice Based Lettings (CBL)

The Borough Council of Wellingborough has announced the arrival of Choice Based Lettings (CBL). The scheme is called KEYWAYS and will go live on the 4th November, 2010.

Keyways is a new way of looking for council and housing association properties for rent in the area in which you live. You can also look for low cost home ownership properties for sale and private properties to rent from accredited landlords. Keyways includes properties within the boroughs of Corby, Kettering and Wellingborough.

The aim is to give you more choice in deciding where you want to live. All properties that are available will be advertised each week from Thursday to Tuesday.

You will be able choose which properties you would like to be considered for. This process is known as bidding. The bidding process does not mean that you will part with any money. You may only bid for a property if your housing application has been accepted onto the Keyways register.

If you are an existing housing register applicant, you will receive a new form by post, you can either return it by post using the pre-paid envelope provided, apply on line at home or visit the Tithe Barn Office to use the computers which have been installed for your convenience. All new applicants can obtain a paper form from the Tithe Barn office or apply on line at <http://www.keyways.org.uk/>.

Please note that you must **register first**, which involves giving details of you and your household, then you must **apply** for housing, which involves giving details of your housing need. Once you have registered and applied for housing, your application will be assessed and a letter will be sent to you advising you on your band and providing you with a guide how to the use the scheme. You can download a copy of the guide from www.keyways.org.uk.

You can download a copy of the Councils new [Allocations Policy](#) which has been revised to work in line with the new scheme.

If you have any queries, please contact either the Housing Needs Team on 01933 231845 231865, 231805, 231812 or 231838.



Recycling and Waste News

You can now put a wide range of recyclable materials in your green bin. These include: **glass bottles and jars** (such as alcohol bottles, food jars), newspapers, magazines, cardboard, aluminium and steel cans and tins, metal lids from jars, and all plastic bottles (such as milk bottles, juice bottles, washing up liquid bottles and shampoo bottles).

Any kind of **plastic bottle** can be placed in the green bin but if it is any other type of plastic container such as margarine containers, yoghurt pots, food trays or plastic wrappers it will need to go into your black bin.

Contact

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