

A Quick Guide to Shared Ownership

The Shared Ownership scheme

The shared ownership scheme is designed to help people get on the property ladder by part owning and part renting a property.



They can purchase a stake of 25% (minimum share) - 75% (maximum share) and pay rent on the remainder.



They can later increase their share (known as staircasing) to 100% ownership.



£80k

To qualify for shared ownership household income must be under £80k and £90k in London.



The deposit needed is based on the share purchased, not the overall value e.g. a £100k home with 50% ownership needs £2.5k for a 5% deposit.

The shape of the Shared Ownership market

- The Government announced funding of £4.7bn to 2021 to support more shared ownership development.¹
- Around 200,000 UK households currently live in shared ownership homes.²
- Shared ownership is often perceived as being for those on a low income however the average shared ownership property price is £348,000 in London and outside of London the average shared ownership property price is £147,090.³



Leeds Building Society Shared Ownership Criteria

- We can lend up to 95% of the borrower's share subject to product.
- We have a dedicated shared ownership product range.
- We accept certain section 106 restrictions.
- Any rent, maintenance or service charge must be declared as an ongoing commitment.



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