



# Neighbourhood Action Plan

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A Neighbourhood Action Plan is a roadmap for improving the area where you live. It's a document that lays out our priorities to make your neighbourhood a great place to live. It's created with input from our customers, colleagues and partners.

This plan serves as a guide for us to work together towards common goals, making positive changes that benefit everyone who lives here. The plan also includes useful information about support available to you.

This plan is updated annually, and customers will get the opportunity to input into them through our walkabouts, surveys and events that we hold throughout the year. Some information in this plan covers all areas, whilst other information is only relevant to a particular neighbourhood. If the information is area specific, the neighbourhood will be noted at the top of the page.

Scan the QR code to check out all the different ways you can get involved in shaping our services. You can also search "get involved" on our website.



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# Accessibility

It's important to us that you can access the information you need, easily and in a format that works for you. If you would like to see this guide in another format, please contact our Customer Services team on 0800 218 2000.

### Do you need help reading this?





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Follow the QR code link to our **Recite Me** tool. You can translate into your preferred language and use other accessibility tools, including large text, screen reader and audio file. Alternatively, call us on 0800 218 2000.



If you're a British Sign Language (BSL) user, you can speak to us via a SignVideo BSL interpreter.



Scan the QR code to use the SignVideo BSL interpreter.

We can also take Relay UK calls to help deaf, speechimpaired customers talk to us over the phone.



Scan the QR code to find out more about Relay calls.

# **Getting in touch**

### Our online portal - the easiest way to contact us

You can access many of our services through your MySalix online account - it's available 24/7.

Scan the QR code to find out more, or search "MySalix" on our website.



Other ways to get in touch:

### Call or email us

To get in touch with our team, you can either call **0800 218 2000** and select the relevant option, or send us an email at enquiries@salixhomes.co.uk.

Our customer service is available from Monday to Friday 8am to 9pm. Our team will be happy to assist you.



### Website

Please take some time to have a look at our website www.salixhomes.co.uk

it has lots of useful information to help you look after your home and access our services.





**Diamond House** 2 Peel Cross Road Salford M5 4DT

Our office reception is open Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 4.30pm.

### Social Media: Are you following us?

We're on Facebook and X so why not aive us a follow? We share lots of useful information to help keep you up to date.

Search "Salix Homes" on Facebook and X.

### **Emergencies**

An emergency is something that causes an immediate health, safety, or security risk to you or anyone else in your home. It is also something that could be causing substantial damage to your home.

Emergencies can be reported at any time of the day or night, this includes weekends and bank holidays. If you call when our customer service team is closed, you'll be transferred to our out-of-hours service.

Emergency repairs: 0800 218 2000. If you see or smell smoke call 999

and ask for the Fire Service.

If you smell gas call 0800 111 999.

### About this neighbourhood

**Blocks:** Arthur Milwood Court, Canon Hussey Court, Queen Alexandra Close, Nine Acre Court, Greenhaus

Total properties: 459 flats

### Number and types of properties

- 1x bedsit
- 219x 1 bed flats
- 205x 2 bed flats
- 3x 3 bed flats
- 27x sheltered accomodation bedsits
- 3x 2 bed sheltered accomodation
- **1x** 3 bed sheltered accomodation

### Number of lets since 01/04/2023: 66



### Stephen Chadwick:

Arthur Milwood Court

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**Liz Hargin:** Canon Hussey Court

**David Oldroyd:** Greenhaus

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**Tracy Chadwick**:

Nine Acre Court



### Meet your Housing Officers

We know how important it is to have people dealing with the issues that matter to you in the areas where you live. That's why we have dedicated Housing Officers out in our neighbourhoods, who aim to be a familiar face in our communities, creating closer connections with you.

### **Choudary Shaifiq**

#### Hi, I'm Choudary.

I'm the Housing Officer for Blackfriar Court, White Friar Court, Longbow Court and Riverbank Lawn.

I've been working in the housing sector since 2001 and I've never looked back.

My first role in housing was as a Housing Assistant, and it was a game changer for me,

Area: Central Salford Email: highrisehousingteam@salixhomes.co.uk

We are currently recruiting a new Housing Officer for Rialto Gardens, Ascot Court, Epsom Mews, Newmarket Mews, Thirsk Mews and Nine Acre Court and will let you know when they have been appointed.

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Area: Broughton Email: highrisehousingteam@salixhomes.co.uk

### **Claire Jeffrey**

I feel privileged to work for Salix Homes as a Housing Officer for Greenhaus, Muirhead Court, Artifex, Canon Green Court and Westminster House.

I feel I am part of a place that put the customer first. I feel that everyone should have the right to live in a safe environment and have

### Area: Trinity / Central Salford Email: highrisehousingteam@salixhomes.co.uk

solidifying my career in the field. Since then, I have graduated with a housing degree from Blackburn College.



What thrills me about working in housing is that you never know what to expect; every day is different. It is also great to know that at the end of the day or week, I have gone above and beyond to help the customers.

See you soon.

somewhere to call home. To be a part of this gives me immense job satisfaction and I have met some amazing people doing this role.



A fun fact about me – In my younger years I used to be a dancer and I performed for Prince Charles at the royal exchange theatre!

### Priorities for your neighbourhood

Our neighbourhood priorities are rooted in the voices and feedback of our customers. Through initiatives like our Working in Your Neighbourhood Days and engagement events such as our Month of Action, we have actively sought input from customers to shape our areas of focus. These are issues that you told us matter most to you:

### Car parking problems

As responsible members of our community, it's important to follow the parking guidelines in place at your apartment block to ensure the safety and accessibility of your parking areas.

Please take note of the following rules:

- Please avoid parking in areas designated for disabled drivers.
- It is crucial to keep areas designated for emergency services access, clear at all times, to ensure the safety of all residents in case of an emergency.
- Kindly park only in the designated bays and avoid obstructing other residents, parking on pavements or grassed areas.

We are working together with tenants and residents to ensure that the limited parking spaces available can be accessed as fairly as possible by all. Salix Homes will work with residents to address any violations.

Please be aware that any breaches of the parking guidelines will result in necessary actions, including potential loss of access to the car park.

### Security concerns - Tailgating

If you reside in one of our blocks, rest assured that our 1st Response Team is dedicated to safeguarding your home from uninvited guests. We understand that the physical security measures surrounding your residence play a crucial role in fostering a sense of safety and comfort for the residents. While our security measures are largely effective, we acknowledge that no system can provide absolute protection. In the event of unauthorized access, we are committed to promptly identifying the individuals involved and the residents they are visiting to prevent future occurrences. Our ongoing efforts include collaborating with residents to assess door entry systems, with plans for significant infrastructure enhancements in the years ahead.



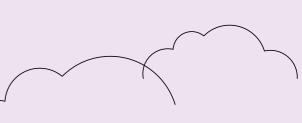
### Noise nuisance

At Salix Homes, we understand the adverse effects of noise nuisance on residents' quality of life. We acknowledge that most noise reports we receive are related to household noise rather than antisocial behaviour. As a result, we have been collaborating with residents to implement a new approach in addressing noise complaints. This approach focuses on promoting good neighbourly relations, prevention, dispute resolution, and implementing support measures, rather than immediately resorting to enforcement.

However, we acknowledge there are instances where noise is considered anti-social, such as persistent and excessively loud music. In such cases, we will follow our anti-social behaviour process and not hesitate to take enforcement action when necessary.

To support our residents, we will work with professional mediators to find solutions, and we will also invest in additional noise monitoring equipment and other preventive measures.





# Creating Safe and Sustainable Neighbourhoods

Salix Homes is committed to creating safe and sustainable neighbourhoods where you can enjoy a peaceful life. We understand that anti-social behaviour (ASB) can be harmful and disruptive to your life, and we want to work with you and your local community to tackle ASB and create a safe environment.

### What is ASB?

ASB is any behaviour that causes harassment, alarm or distress to anyone, or that causes housing-related nuisance or annoyance. As a Salix Homes customer, you are responsible for the behaviour of everyone, including children, who lives in or visits your home, including shared areas, and in the locality of your home.

### How to report ASB?

- By contacting your Housing Officer.
- Visiting or writing to Salix Homes, Diamond House, 2 Peel Cross Road, Salford, M5 4DT.
- Calling our 24-hour freephone on 0800 218 2000.
- By emailing enquiries@salixhomes.co.uk.
- By using your 'MySalix' account.
- Through our 24-hour concierge service (highrise apartments).
- By asking a third party such as a police officer or an advocate.

Scan the QR code to report anti-social behaviour or search "my account" on our website and report it through MySalix.

### Number and types of anti-social behaviour in your neighbourhood

• Drugs /

**Substance** 

Pets / Animal

nuisance: 3

violence: 2

behaviour /

Crime: 2

• Physical

Criminal

Drug dealing: 4

misuse /

### 143 cases in total

- Noise: 85
- Threatening abuse / Harassment / Intimidation: 24

- Criminal activity / Damage to property / Vandalism: 6
- Verbal abuse: 5
- Litter / Rubbish / Flytipping: **5**
- Domestic abuse: 4
- Hate related incidents: 2
- Environmental damage: 1

We offer a range of solutions to help resolve ASB issues, such as tenancy warnings/interviews, acceptable behaviour agreements, mediation, pre-legal warning letters, multi-agency meetings with Greater Manchester Police (GMP), and in more serious cases. legal action including civil injunction applications and possession action. Our goal is to work with our customers to create a safe and comfortable living environment for everyone.

If you need our help with ASB, don't hesitate to contact us. We'll do our best to help you.



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### Investing in your area

### Over the years, we've invested heavily in our homes, ensuring they're safer, cleaner and areener.

The resources allocated here are now completing planned investments from previous years due to challenges in accessing properties previously. We plan to invest £550k in 2024 for work in your area and have another £1.2m planned investment work in 2025 for your area.

### 2024

### Nine Acre Court:

Improvement work including kitchens. Communal works including electric mains replacement, communal doors, booster pumps and water tank upgrade.





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These investments will deliver some fantastic improvements to homes which will bring them up to modern standards, improve energy efficiency and the safety and security of you and your family.

### 2025

### **Canon Hussey Court**

- Replacement of the Eco-pod heating unit with a yet undetermined heating system.
- Replacement of communal lighting and emergency lighting.
- Lighting protection replacement.
- Door entry system upgrade.
- Communal stairwell fire doors replacement.

### Arthur Millwood Court

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- Replacement of communal lighting and emergency lighting.
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- Door entry system upgrade.
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# Supporting you

### **Housing Officers**

Your dedicated Housing Officer will support your community.

You can find out more about our Housing Officers by visiting our website at:

www.salixhomes.co.uk/your-housing-officer

### **Environmental Services Team**

We want you to be proud of where you live, so our Environmental Services Team work in our communities to ensure our neighbourhoods are kept clean and tidy, and they deal directly with you to help resolve any housing issue you might have.

### **Income Management Team**

The Income Management Team are responsible for collecting rent and other payments from you and supporting you if you're experiencing financial difficulties.

### **Night Service**

Our Night Service carry out patrols, respond to reports of anti-social behaviour, operate our concierge service and take emergency calls from you during out of office hours. Please note that apart from emergencies, our night services are only available to our customers living in our high-rise buildings.

### **Repairs Team**

Our repairs team can fix anything from your roof to your shower if it's broken or leaking. Sometimes, we need to work with other experts and contractors for more specialised repairs. For those repairs, we have selected a few contractors who are experts in things like replacing glass, clearing blockages in drains, and fixing structural problems. We work with them to make sure the repair is done right.

# Join us in your community

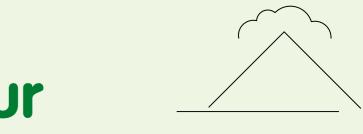
### Working in Neighbourhood Days

As part of our ongoing commitment to improving our services and strengthening community relationships, we've implemented initiatives such as our 'Working in Neighbourhood Days'. These quarterly events serve as a platform for our dedicated team members from across Salix Homes to step outside their usual roles and actively engage with our customers and communities.

During these days, our colleagues join forces with our housing officers to connect with our customers. From conducting doorstep visits, surveys, neighbourhood walkabouts and community events, you can expect to see us in your area on these dates:

> We'll hold Working in Neighbourhood Days every 3 months

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### Join us on a walkabout or one of our drop-in events

Throughout the year we will be holding regular walkabouts and drop-in events in your neighbourhood.

### Why not get involved on the next one?

Join us and support us in identifying key issues and things that matter most to you and your community.

### **Events**

Scan the QR code to check out details of our upcoming events or speak to your Housing Officer.





## Local support and resources

Our team at Salix Homes is always here to assist you in any way we can. Whether you're struggling to pay rent or need help furnishing your home, we are ready to listen and support you. If you need advice or assistance, you can call us for free at **0800 218 2000** or email us at: **enquiries@salixhomes.co.uk**. To learn more about the ways we can help you, please visit the **'How we can help you'** section on our website. Additionally, there are a number of local organisations and national charities that offer independent advice and support for a variety of issues.

You can find their contact information below:

#### Salford Council

Your local authority offers a wide range of services and may be able to provide further advice on housing, benefits and legal support. **Main switchboard 0161 793 2500** 

#### Housing Advice and Support Services Team

Swinton Gateway, 100 Chorley Road, Swinton, M27 6BP. www.salford.gov.uk/housing/housing-advice-and-support

Salford Direct Housing Benefit Advice Line www.salford.gov.uk/benefits

**Community, Health and Social Care** Swinton Gateway, 100 Chorley Road, Swinton, M27 6BP. www.salford.gov.uk/health-and-social-care

#### Welfare Rights and Debt Advice Service

The debt advice service provides advice for people who have complex/priority debts or a need for debt related court representation. The service does not offer more general budgeting support.

www.salford.gov.uk/advice-and-support/welfarerights-and-debt-advice-service/

Welfare rights advice line - 0800 345 7375. Monday to Friday between 10am and 12pm (midday) apart from bank holidays.

Debt advice line - 0800 345 7323. Mondays and Wednesdays between 1pm and 4pm and on Fridays between 9:30am and 12:30pm apart from bank holidays. BetterOff Salford

For people who live in the Salford area and who may be eligible to claim benefits and/or need some support to get a job. www.salford.gov.uk/betteroff

#### **Citizens Advice Salford**

Provides free, confidential and impartial advice to residents of Salford. www.salfordcab.org.uk

Freephone 08082787802 Monday to Friday, 9am – 4pm Evenings and weekend service

Call or SMS to 0161 850 5053 from 6pm - 9pm, seven days a week.

#### Age UK Salford

Age UK Salford is an independent local charity that has been working in the community to help older people for over 40 years.

Main office is 108 Church Street, Eccles, M30 OLH

Open Monday to Friday 9am-4pm www.ageuk.org.uk/salford Telephone: 0161 788 7300

### Salford Credit Union

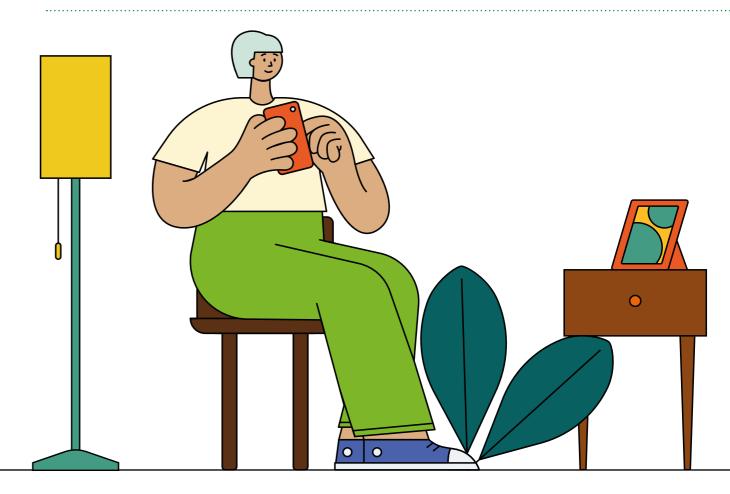
A credit union can help you to start saving and access affordable loans. www.salfordcreditunion.com Telephone: 0161 686 5880 Phones open 10am to 12pm Monday to Friday. info@salfordcreditunion.com

### If you have any debts, a national agency can advise you, including:

#### **MoneyHelper Advice Service**

Aims to help make your money and pension choices
clearer, with impartial guidance that is backed by the
government and to recommend further, trusted support if
you need it.
www.moneyhelper.org.uk
StepChange Debt Charity
Free expert debt advice and money guidance.
www.stepchange.org

www.stepchange.org Main helpline number 0800 138 111 1 Phone lines open 8am-8pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 2pm Saturdays.



### **National Debtline**

This is a debt advice charity run by the Money Advice Trust. It is a free and confidential service and its experts have helped millions of people deal with their debts.

- www.nationaldebtline.org
- Freephone 0808 808 4000
- Phone lines open 9am-8pm
- Monday to Friday and 9:30am-1pm Saturdays.

### Shelter

If you have a housing-related problem, Shelter, the housing and homelessness charity, can help you understand your rights and get the support you need.

www.england.shelter.org.uk/get\_help/local\_services /manchester

Contact for free advice on 03301 755 121

# **Get involved**

Our customers are at the heart of everything we do at Salix Homes

We encourage customers to get involved in improving and shaping our performance and the standard of our services. We understand that not everyone wants the same level of involvement, so we offer a range of ways to get involved. Getting involved can be anything from completing a short survey about a service you've received, to joining a dedicated customer group or committee.

### Spotlight on: **Customer Groups**

One of the ways you can get involved is by joining one of our customer groups.

Scrutiny Pool: Dive into our operations, ask questions, and review our services. Report your findings and help us improve.

Complaints Oversight Group: Help refine our complaints process and enhance the customer experience by working closely with us.

**Procurement Panel:** Have a say in how we spend our money by participating in the procurement process. Ensure we get good deals and monitor contractors for added community benefits. Training provided.

Apartment Living Forum: Voice your opinions on high-rise services, including safety, caretaking, and security.

Scan the QR code to check out all the different ways you can get involved in shaping our services. You can also search



"get involved" on our website.

### Spotlight on: **Our Community Connectors**

One of the ways you can get involved is by joining our Community Connectors.

We have a group of customers called Community Connectors. They work with our team to identify important issues that affect our neighbourhoods and help us take action. For example, they may tell us about problems with people behaving badly or help us fund community projects.

Your views are important to us and that's why we've developed our Customer Engagement Strategy to make sure you can shape what matters most to you, in the way you choose.



Scan the QR code to read our Customer Engagement Strategy.

Interested in joining one of our Customer Groups or Customer Committee?

Find out more by emailing our Customer Engagement Team at customer.engagement@salixhomes.co.uk

# **Our Community Fund,** Springboard

Springboard is our programme that offers money to local groups and activities that want to improve the areas where our customers live. Anyone can apply for a Springboard grant, whether you're a community group, a charity, a school, or an individual with a great idea for a community project. You don't need to be a Salix Homes customer, but your project should benefit the communities where we work.

Did you know...

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In 23/24 we have invested

### • £20,059.25 •

through our community fund Springboard, supporting

• 24 •

community groups and projects.

Scan the QR code to find out more our Springboard Community Fund and apply. You can also search "Springboard" on our website.



# How are we doing?

We are committed to the delivery of firstclass housing services that continually improve and meet our customers' needs and aspirations. We aim to provide high-quality housing in clean and safe communities, so that we can help our communities live, grow and thrive, together.

We measure performance across different areas of our business and publish a report on our performance each quarter.

Scan the QR code to check out our latest **performance** <u>information</u>.



### **Tenant Satisfaction Measures**

We're actively gathering feedback from you to improve our services. Since April 2023, we've collected data from our customers on various areas including repairs, complaints and

communication. Your input matters.

Scan the QR code to check out our latest tenant satisfaction report.



# Reporting an issue

We understand that you might have some problems related to the safety and upkeep of your property. Some issues could include fire or structural safety concerns, damp and mould, anti-social behaviour, or even tenancy fraud.

Your safety is our top priority, and we're always available to help you. If you come across any issues or notice any problems in your neighbourhood, please let us know right away.

You can report an issue through our online portal **'MySalix'**, or by calling our dedicated freephone number **0800 218 2000**. For more information, please visit our website and search for **'reporting an issue'**.

Scan the QR code to download our <u>Home Safety</u> <u>Guide</u>.



Find out more about damp, mould and condensation on our website, search **'<u>damp and mould</u>'**.

# Home safety

Your safety is our number one priority. We'll do everything we can to make sure you're safe and secure in your home. There are some things that you can do to help keep your home safe too.

### Allowing access

There are times when you will need to give us access to your home to carry out important safety checks or repairs. We'll write to you with an appointment to let you know when to expect us. As part of your tenancy agreement, you'll need to be home to let us in. If you can't make the appointment you'll need to contact us to rearrange.

There are also times where we may need to access your home for emergency repairs.

### Gas safety

We carry out regular checks, safety inspections, surveys and repairs in all our properties, and it's really important that people understand the significance of these inspections and allow us access into your homes when required.

While the majority of our customers take home safety checks seriously, for the minority that ignore or delay these essential checks, it could mean potential hazards may go unnoticed. We carry out gas safety inspections in all our properties with a gas boiler, fire or cooker every year, while electrical checks are required every five years – these are a legal requirement.

All customers will receive a letter when your safety check is due to arrange an appointment.

If you are planning to install a gas cooker or hob in your home, it is crucial to hire a registered Gas Safe engineer.

You should not attempt to do any other gas-related work yourself or hire an engineer to do so as it can put the safety of your home and family in jeopardy.

If you suspect that any gas-related work needs to be done, please call us on **0800 218 2000**.

### What to do if you smell gas

If you smell gas in or around your home, call the National Grid straight away on **0800 111 999**.

You should also follow this safety advice:

- Turn off the appliance you are using.
- Turn off the gas supply at the meter (unless the meter is in a cellar, in which case you should evacuate at once).
- Check to see if a gas tap has been accidentally left on or if a pilot light has gone out.
- Open doors and windows to let the gas out.

We have lots of important<br/>gas safety advice, please<br/>take a look by scanning the<br/>QR code or searching "Gas<br/>safety" on our website.Image: Comparison of the comparison of t

### Fire safety

If you live in a property that has communal areas, such as a flat or sheltered accommodation, Salix Homes maintain those areas to ensure we achieve the highest levels of safety. Our team also performs regular safety audits and checks on the shared spaces.

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Everyone has a part to play in keeping our customers and our homes safe. As a customer, you must live and behave in a way that does not increase the risk of fire or damage to your home or building.

### Here are some ways to reduce the risk of fire or damage to your home or building:

- Please don't carry out any DIY jobs or alterations to your home without permission.
- Dispose of waste from your property properly.
- Allow our team access to your home as required under the Building Safety Act and Fire Safety Act.
- If you see anything that could pose a danger to fire or building structural safety, such as a damaged or broken fire door, please report it through your MySalix account.
- Keep communal areas clear of personal items or belongings.
- Make sure you follow all the conditions of your tenancy agreement.
- Let us know if someone else moves into your home.
- Inform us if you or a member of your household becomes unable to evacuate your building independently.

Scan the QR code or search "fire safety" on our website to learn more about what to do to keep you and your home safe.



### Smoke alarms

Your smoke alarm could save your life.

As your landlord, we provide and fit smoke detectors in all our properties.

Every home should have at least one working smoke alarm. We recommend that all our properties have a smoke detector in the lounge and hallway, and a heat detector in the kitchen. It's your responsibility to check regularly that your smoke and heat alarms are working, and we would advise you to test them monthly.

If your alarm starts to bleep regularly it may have developed a fault or simply need new batteries.

Please don't disconnect or take the batteries out of your smoke alarm. Some smoke alarms are connected to your electricity supply, and you could be injured if you try to disconnect it.

If you have any issues with your smoke alarm, or you don't have one, call us on **0800 218 2000**.



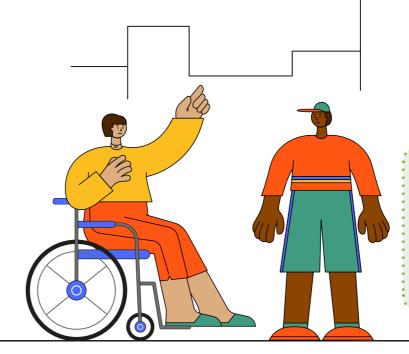
### **Electrical safety**

We need to do an electrical safety check in your home every five years. It's really important that you let us in to do this check, which is a legal requirement. If you're unable to let us in, it can impact your tenancy agreement and we may need to take legal action, which we really don't want to do. We want you to be happy in your home and avoid any unnecessary stress.

If you're planning to hire someone to do any electrical work in your home, please make sure they're a registered electrician with one of the government-approved schemes. This is really important for your safety and the safety of others in your home or building. Additionally, if you've had any electrical work done in your property, please let us know in case we need to do another safety check.

Scan the QR code for electrical safety tips or search "<u>Electrical Safety</u>" on our website.





### Water hygiene

We make sure that the water systems in our properties are installed and maintained to the highest standards. In our communal buildings, like sheltered accommodations, we conduct regular inspections and flush out the systems in any long-standing empty properties to ensure the water is clean and safe for use.

However, if you've been away from home for a while – perhaps on holiday or in the hospital – there's a chance the water quality in your home may have been affected by bacteria growth in the water mains supply.

When you return home, you should:

- Run the tap or shower for around two minutes and flush toilets.
- Clean shower heads and taps to help kill off any bacteria.

Scan the QR code to view our Home Safety Guide or search **"Home Safety** <u>**Guide"**</u> on our website.





If you live in one of our high rise homes, scan the QR code to find information on **page 6** in our **Home Safety Guide**.



## Damp, mould and condensation

We take the condition of our homes very seriously and we are committed to making sure you have a healthy home, free from damp, mould and condensation. If you have concerns about damp and mould in your home, and the affect it could be having on the health and wellbeing of you and your family, then please let us know.

### Damp

Excess moisture in your home can cause a problem known as damp. Rising damp, penetrating damp, damp caused by a leak, and damp caused by condensation are the most common types. Dampness can make your home feel cold and uncomfortable, and if left untreated, it can cause structural damage.

### Mould

Mould is a type of fungi that grows due to excess moisture in your home. It appears as a collection of little black spots and is often found on windows or in the corners and edges of rooms. As mould can grow in any home, it's important to inform us if you notice mould in your home so that we can help you.

### **Condensation**

Condensation happens when the moisture in the air comes into contact with a cold surface such as a window or a wall. You may notice it after cooking or taking a shower. If surfaces are left damp, then there is a possibility of condensation build-up that can lead to the formation of mould.

To report damp or mould in your home, call 0800 218 2000 or tell us through MySalix.

Scan the QR code to find out why mould appears in your home, things you can do to help, and to view our damp,



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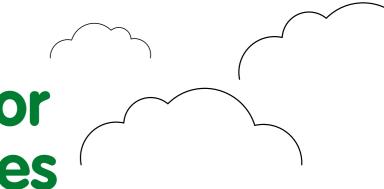
# Open the door to safer homes

Gas and electrical safety checks are not just a legal requirement, but vital in keeping you and your home safe. Our tenancy audits are there so we can support you, and identify any issues in your home.

Salix Homes is urging our customers to 'Open the Door' to safer homes and let us in to carry out regular safety checks, repairs or tenancy audits.

Every year, we spend more than £100,000 pursuing legal action to obtain a warrant to access people's homes who have refused to allow us to carry out gas and electrical safety checks - money that could be better spent on improving homes and communities.





We carry out regular checks, safety inspections, surveys, repairs and tenancy audits in all our properties, and it's really important that people understand the significance of these inspections and allow us access into your homes when required.

While the majority of our customers take home safety checks seriously, for the minority that ignore or delay these essential checks, it could mean potential hazards may go unnoticed.

We carry out gas safety inspections in all our properties with a gas boiler, fire or cooker every year, while electrical checks are required every five years – these are a legal requirement.

All customers will receive a letter when your safety check or tenancy audit is due to arrange an appointment.





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