List of recommendations

Recommendation 1:

The LWSC recommends that the Private Sector Housing Team continues quarterly surveys of the private rental sector to include landlords, lettings agencies and private tenants and reports six monthly to LWSC.

Recommendation 2:

The LWSC recommends that the Council, in partnership with the Citizen's Advice Bureau, produces an information pack about private tenant's rights to people applying for Housing Benefit. This should be extended to cover those applying for tenancies in Lettings Agents too.

Recommendation 3:

The LWSC recommends that the Council explores the viability of establishing a private tenant's forum in the borough.

Recommendation 4:

The LWSC recommends that the Council gives consideration to a scheme for targeted, area based, mandatory licensing and continues to promote accreditation for private landlords.

Recommendation 5:

The LWSC recommends that the Council supports the selective use and development of the Affordable Rent Product in the borough for specific areas where the application of this type of tenure will yield maximum impact.

Recommendation 6:

The LWSC recommends that a scheme of street purchases is adopted to provide more Council housing stock.