# Guidance for shared ownership providers when completing 'Summary of costs'

The information in this document is for the **standard shared ownership model**. These homes will conform to the requirements of the Shared Ownership and Affordable Homes Programme (SOAHP) 2016 to 2021.

This document is intended for initial sales and resales.

It's for prospective homebuyers:

- after they have registered with a Help to Buy agent
- after they have gone through a financial assessment
- before they pay the reservation fee to secure a shared ownership home

Use it to give the homebuyer a personalised summary of all the costs involved in buying, owning and selling a shared ownership home. Providers may brand the document but must not alter the content or order of information.

The document should be explained to the customer and they should be given the opportunity to ask questions.

This document should be provided to the homebuyer at the same time as the 'Key information about shared ownership'.

### To complete the document:

- 1. Follow the instructions highlighted in yellow.
- 2. Enter the costs and fees in the highlighted fields.
- 3. Delete the statements that do not apply to the home.
- 4. Delete the instructions about how to complete the document.

### Feedback

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# Summary of costs

The information in this document is for the **standard shared ownership model**. There are variations of shared ownership which have different features. For more information on the variations, see the 'Key information about the home' document.

When you are looking for shared ownership homes, you should always check the Key Information Document to see which model covers that specific home.

When you buy a home through shared ownership, you enter into a shared ownership lease. The lease is a legal agreement between you (the 'leaseholder') and the landlord. It sets out the rights and responsibilities of both parties.

Before committing to buy a shared ownership property, you should take independent legal and financial advice.

This summary of costs document is to help you decide if shared ownership is right for you. You should read this document carefully so that you understand what you are buying, and then keep it safe for future reference.

It does not form part of the lease. You should carefully consider the information and the accompanying lease and discuss any issues with your legal adviser before signing the lease.

Failure to pay your rent, service charge, or mortgage could mean your home is at risk of repossession.

The costs in this document are the costs as at the date issued. These will increase (typically on an annual basis) and you should take financial advice on whether this will be sustainable for you.

## **Purchase costs**

Full market value	£365,000
Share purchase price and percentage share offered	£127,750 (35% share value) The share purchase price is calculated using the full market value and the percentage share purchased.
Deposit	£6387.50 (5% of the sale purchase price)
	The deposit is payable when you exchange contracts to buy the home. It will be taken off the final amount you pay on completion. For more information, speak to your legal adviser.
Reservation fee	£350
	You'll need to pay a reservation fee to secure your home. When you pay the fee, no one else will be able to reserve the home.
	The reservation fee secures the home for 42 days. If you buy the home, the fee will be taken off the final amount you pay on completion. If you do not buy the home, the fee is not refundable.
Your legal adviser's fees	Legal adviser's fees can vary. You can expect to pay fees including:
	<ul> <li>legal services fee</li> <li>search costs</li> <li>banking charges</li> <li>Land Registry fee</li> <li>document pack fee</li> <li>management agent consent fee - subject to development and terms of the management company</li> </ul>
	You'll need to ask your legal adviser what the fees cover and the cost for your purchase.
Stamp Duty Land Tax (SDLT)	You may have to pay Stamp Duty Land Tax (SDLT) depending on your circumstances and the home's market value. Discuss this with your legal adviser. There is more guidance on the GOV.UK website:
	<ul> <li><u>Stamp Duty Land Tax: shared ownership property</u></li> <li><u>Calculate Stamp Duty Land Tax (SDLT)</u></li> </ul>

# Your monthly payments to the landlord

Rent	If you buy a 35% share, the rent will be £543.70 a month
Service charge	£52.63 a month
	The service charge is for the maintenance and servicing of the communal parts of the building, including caretakers, entry phones, doors, cleaning, lighting, electricity, fire alarms and equipment.
Estate charge	£26.94 a month
	The estate charge is for the grounds maintenance
	The estate charge will continue to be payable if you reach 100% ownership.
Buildings insurance	£6.94 a month
Management fee	£16.09 a month
	The management fee is payable to Clarion Housing Group
	The management fee is for the administration of the services and the estate.
Reserve (sinking) fund	£20.83 a month
payment	For more information, see section 5.7, 'Repairs reserve fund', in the 'Key information about shared ownership' document.
Total monthly payment to the landlord	Your total monthly payment for the rent and other charges described above will be:
	£667.13 a month
	You'll need to budget for your other costs of owning a home, which are not included in the monthly payment to the landlord. For example, mortgage repayment, contents insurance, Council Tax, gas and electricity, and water.

## **Rent review**

Rent review period		be reviewed ev from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 20		April
Rent increase	as the percer	The maximum amount your rent can go up by is the same as the percentage increase in the <u>Retail Prices Index</u> (RPI) for the previous 12 months plus 0.5%.		
	Your landlord will notify you each year what this amount will be and tell you the date from which the new rent payable.			
	Your rent will down.	go up when it is	s reviewed. It w	ill never go
	Example ren	t increases		
	on an RPI pe are illustration	The examples below show how your rent could rise based on an RPI percentage increase of 3%, 6% and 9%. These are illustrations only and the actual RPI for the relevant year will be used to calculate your rent increases.		
	Initial rent	Example RPI increase percentage	Applied percentage increase (RPI plus _0.5_%)	Example new monthly rent
	£ <mark>600</mark>	3%	<u>3.5</u> %	£ <mark>621</mark>
	£ <mark>600</mark>	6%	<mark>6.5</mark> %	£ <mark>639</mark>
	£ <mark>600</mark>	9%	<mark>9.5</mark> %	£ <mark>657</mark>

# Future costs if you buy more shares

Home valuation	If you want to buy more shares, the minimum amount you can buy is an extra 10%. When you do this, you'll need to pay for a valuation by a surveyor who is registered with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). The
	current estimated cost is £260.00 plus VAT.

	You will need to arrange the valuation. If you need to arrange the valuation, you can <u>find a</u> <u>registered surveyor on the RICS website</u> . For more information, see section 6, 'Buying more shares', in the 'Key information about shared ownership' document.
Share purchase administration fees	The administration fee for buying more shares will be £250.00 inclusive of VAT. Final Staircasing fees are £1000 inclusive of VAT.
Your legal adviser's fees	If you require legal advice when buying more shares, you are responsible for paying your own legal fees. Regardless of whether you require legal advice, it is likely that your mortgage lender will require you to instruct a suitably qualified legal adviser if you are borrowing money to fund any purchase of additional shares. The landlord is responsible for paying their own legal fees related to share purchase transactions.

# Future costs if you sell your home

Landlord's current selling fee	The current charge is 1.5% plus VAT of the value of the share sold – up to 1% of plus VAT of the market value. NB this fee is payable if a buyer is found by us or our appointed agent in the nomination period. If using an agent the below will apply Your landlord may charge a fee for marketing and finding a buyer for your home when you sell. If they do not find a buyer, this will not apply. Admin fee, £180 (inc VAT)
Estate agent's fee	You will only pay this if you use an estate agent. You can usually negotiate their fee. You can normally only choose to use an estate agent when the Landlord's nomination period has ended. See the 'Landlord's nomination period' section of the 'Key information about your home' document for more information.
Your legal adviser's fees	You are responsible for seeking legal advice when you sell your home. You will need to pay your legal fees.

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#### Future costs if you need to extend your lease term

All shared ownership homes are sold as leasehold, even houses. You may need to extend the term of your lease. This is because a short lease can affect the value of your home and can make it more difficult to sell or get a mortgage on the home. A short lease is generally considered as one with 80 years or less left on the term, although different lenders have different criteria. It can be significantly more expensive to extend a short lease.

Lease term	990 years
Maximum share you can own	You can buy up to 100% of your home.
Transfer of freehold	At 100% ownership, the freehold will transfer to you.

Shared owners who own less than 100% of their home do not currently have a legal right to extend their lease term. Your landlord will confirm their policy on lease extensions for shared owners including how they apportion costs.

For more information see section 2.5 in the 'Key information about shared ownership' document.

### Other potential costs from the landlord

£
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£

## Your own payments

You could use this section to help you plan your budget. Depending on the home, you might have other costs to consider.

Mortgage repayment	£ a month
Contents insurance	£a month
Council Tax	£ a month
Gas and electricity	£
Water	£
Annual boiler service	£ a year
Other payments	