

Appendix 2 – What was taken into account when writing Enfield’s Allocations Scheme

When writing the Housing Allocations Scheme for Enfield, the Council took into account a wide range of documents and information. These included government guidance, legislation, legal cases, best practice and new national and regional government policy. The main documents and information we have taken into consideration are set out below:

Legislation

- Housing Act 1996, Part VI
- Localism Act 2011

The Localism Act 2011 amended the Housing Act 1996 to include:

“A local housing authority in England must, in preparing or modifying their allocation scheme, have regard to:

- (a) their current homelessness strategy under section 1 of the Homelessness Act 2002,
 - (b) their current tenancy strategy under section 137 of the Localism Act 2011, and
 - (c) in the case of an authority that is a London borough council, the London Housing Strategy.”
- Equalities Act 2010 and related legislation

National Policy

- Local decisions: a fairer future for social housing: Consultation, November 2010
- Laying the Foundations: A Housing Strategy for England, November 2011

Regional guidance

- The London Housing Accessible Register Good Practice Guidance 2011
- The revised London Housing Strategy, December 2011, consultation document

Guidance

- Allocation of accommodation: guidance for local housing authorities in England, June 2012, Communities and Local Government
- Social Housing Equalities Framework, Local Government Association, 2012
- The Equalities Framework for Local Government (EFLG) developed by the Local Government Improvement and Development¹² (LGID)

¹² Formerly the Improvement & Development Agency (I&DeA)