



SOUTH LAKES HOUSING

Transfer Policy

Both tenants of South Lakeland District Council and tenants of registered social landlords in South Lakeland will be treated equally as transfers, and applications prioritised according to the following criteria:

- When a transfer is considered an appropriate alternative to adaptation work for disabled tenants;
- To make the best use of the housing stock;
- When the tenant's household is overcrowded in its present accommodation;
- When the tenant's household is underoccupying its present accommodation;
- If there are medical grounds for a move;
- Special circumstances at the discretion of the Head of Housing Services, for example at the recommendation of Social Services or in the case of domestic violence;
- No priority will be given to tenants who simply do not like the neighbourhood where they live;
- Tenants will not normally be offered a transfer unless their rent account is up-to-date and the property they are vacating is in a re-lettable condition. The Director of Operations may vary these requirements having regard to the urgency of the need to transfer and the ability of the tenant to carry out any necessary works.