

# Crisis and Resilience Fund Housing Payment – application form



## About this form

- Housing Payments provide discretionary financial support to help residents meet housing costs where there is a shortfall between rent and Housing Benefit or Universal Credit housing costs.
- You can apply online, by telephone, in writing or with support from a council officer, partner organisation or someone acting on your behalf.
- We will use the information you provide to assess your application and identify any additional support you may need.
- Housing Payments are discretionary and awarded based on individual circumstances.
- No-one has a legal right to Housing Payments. Any payments made are at the discretion of the Council.
- If you disagree with the decision on your claim for Housing Payments you should write to the Council. The decision will be reviewed by a different officer.

## What a Housing Payment can cover:

- Rent in advance
- Rental deposits
- Costs associated with securing housing or downsizing, such as removals or tenancy set-up
- Rent shortfalls linked to benefit cap, RSRS (underoccupancy) and LHA.

## What a Housing Payment cannot cover:

- Water, meals, fuel or other ineligible service charges included in rent
- Increases in rent due to outstanding rent arrears
- Sanctions and reductions in benefits
- Shortfalls caused by a HB or UC overpayment recovery
- Benefit suspensions

Housing Payments are funded by the UK Government through the Crisis and Resilience Fund.

# Housing Payments (London Borough of Camden)

Please tick all that apply to your application for a Housing Payment			
1.	Local Housing Allowance		
2.	Under Occupancy		
3.	Total Benefits Cap		
4.	Hardship		
5.	Moving costs and rent deposits		
Part 1: Your Details			
a.	Name (Block Capitals)		
b.	Address		
c.	Date of Birth (DD/MM/YY)		
d.	National Insurance Number		
Part 2: Housing Payment Details			
a.	Amount of Housing Payment requested (weekly)	£	
b.	What period is Housing Payment requested for?	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>
Part 3: Rent Arrears (please circle)			
Are you in Rent Arrears?		Yes	No
If yes, please provide proof of the amount:			
Has your landlord given you notice to quit?		Yes	No
If yes, please provide a copy of your notice to quit			
Have you tried to get the landlord to reduce the rent?		Yes	No
If yes, what rent will the landlord accept?			

<b>Part 6: Pregnancy</b>			
a.	Are you single and pregnant and planning to move to a 1 or 2 bedroom flat? (please circle)	Yes	No
b.	Date you plan to move into the flat		
c.	Please confirm the baby's due date		
<b>Part 7: Health Problems (please provide medical evidence)</b>			
a.	Do you or someone in the household have any disabilities or health problems? (please circle)	Yes	No
b.	Who does this concern?		
c.	Please provide details		
<b>Part 8: Under Occupation</b>			
How many bedrooms are there in the property you live in? (If you are a joint tenant count all of the bedrooms not just the ones you use)			
How many bedrooms are spare?			
Do you or your partner have an overnight carer? (please circle)		Yes	No
If yes, who requires care?		You	Your partner
How many times per week/month do you/your partner require overnight care?			
Please provide details of your care needs and supporting evidence (e.g. letter from your doctor)			
Do you or your partner receive Attendance Allowance, Middle/High rate of Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payments?			
Do you have a child who is disabled and cannot share a room with another child?		Yes	No
If yes, please provide details and supporting evidence.			
Has the property been adapted to meet the needs of the disabled person in the household?		Yes	No
Are you or your partner seeking a lodger to help with the rent?		Yes	No
If yes, please provide evidence.			
Are you taking steps to move to smaller accommodation?		Yes	No
If yes, please provide details and evidence (e.g. that you are bidding on smaller properties, confirmation from your housing association or Housing Options advisor)			

**Part 9: Significant Birthday** – A significant birthday is one that may increase the amount of Benefit that is paid. If you or any household member is reaching ten, sixteen



Applicant's Signature	
Date	

<b>Part 14: Details of Camden Officer helping claimant with the form (if applicable)</b>	
a.	Name of Officer and job role:
b.	Department and direct contact details: