
**Defend
Council
Housing**

**HOUSING
EMERGENCY**

**Westminster Council
DON'T PENALISE
THE JOBLESS**

**No fixed term tenancies
and 80% market rents
Build the homes we need**

JOIN THE PROTEST

6pm Wednesday 2nd November

Westminster Council House, 97-113 Marylebone Road NW1 5PT

Westminster Council want to discriminate against the jobless. You will lose points on the housing waiting list if they are not in work, or have moved to the borough in the last ten years.

Lead Councillor Jonathan Glanz thinks unemployment is an attractive lifestyle choice: 'We have got so many people not working that it gives worklessness an attractiveness as a way of life.'

Councils must allocate housing according to need – not based on discrimination. We are short of housing because of decades of neglect, privatisation and failure to build council housing. Dame Shirley Porter's disgraceful sell offs were based on the same idea of driving out all those who are sick, elderly or in need.

Join the protest of tenants, trade unions, councillors and campaigners

- **Stop discrimination and attacks on the jobless**
 - **Build Council housing to meet local need**
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- **Hands off secure tenancies**
- **No to 80% market rents**
- **Cut rents not benefits – regulate private rents and landlords**
- **No eviction due to Housing Benefit cuts**
- **Build secure, really-affordable homes for rent**

Government has cut council and other house building and launched a vicious attack on housing benefit, secure life time tenancies, and forcing up to 80% market rents.

The Government is breaking promises to tenants and to parliament. They cannot be allowed to drive through evictions, break up stable communities, and drive all but the richest out of large areas of Britain.

They are making a housing crisis

into a catastrophe. This will hit the poor, sick, disabled and elderly first, driving up homelessness and rough sleeping. Housing costs are forcing many into real poverty.

Overcrowding, disrepair and housing need is soaring, bringing ill health and despair.

Stop attacking tenants and those in need of housing – we demand Government and Councils build the homes we need.