

What can Fife Keyfund offer to landlords?

- ↑ Regular contact with the Landlord with regard to the tenancy
- ↑ Regular access to property and contact with tenant/s on landlord's behalf
- ↑ Assurances that tenant/s will be appropriately advised and guided in regard to Housing Benefit applications
- ↑ Assistance to landlord with any concerns regarding tenancy
- ↑ Monitoring of progress of Housing Benefit claims
- ↑ Liaison with Housing Benefit section
- ↑ Advocacy on behalf of landlords, or tenants, if and when required
- ↑ Assurance of a deposit guarantee against which claims can be made



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And through prior arrangement at evenings and weekends

We also hold drop-ins at various venues throughout Fife.

For more information please contact us on the above number



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A Guide For Landlords





What is a Deposit Guarantee?

Fife Keyfund assist people who are homeless, or at risk of homelessness, to access accommodation in the private rented sector.

We offer landlords a deposit guarantee, in the form of a certificate, up to the equivalent of one month's rent. If, at the end of the tenancy, a valid claim is made on the deposit, the landlord will be reimbursed to the value of the claim up to the guaranteed amount.

Guarantees are issued for a minimum period of 6 months, in line with a Scottish Short Assured Tenancy. As part of the Fife Keyfund agreement, the tenant will be required to save towards the deposit at an affordable weekly rate.

The guarantee will cover:-

- ↑ Damage to property and/or fixtures and fittings

The guarantee does not cover:-

- ↑ Fair wear and tear
- ↑ Utility Bills
- ↑ Rent arrears

Who can get a Fife Keyfund guarantee?

Referrals to Fife Keyfund come directly from Fife Council and partner organisations.

To be considered for a Fife Keyfund deposit guarantee applicants must meet **all** of the following conditions:-

- ↑ Homeless/at risk of homelessness
- ↑ Low income and/or benefits
- ↑ Be unable to afford the total amount required for a deposit

Accepting a deposit guarantee from Fife Keyfund does not affect the Landlord's right to choose who they accept as a tenant nor does it imply that Fife Keyfund are providing a reference on behalf of the tenant.



What do we ask of a landlord?

In order to work with Fife Keyfund we ask that landlords:-

- ↑ Comply with all aspects of housing legislation.
- ↑ Ensure the property meets the required legal standards and can provide appropriate certification.
- ↑ Accept a deposit guarantee.
- ↑ Provide the necessary information to ensure prompt payment of Housing Benefit.
- ↑ Allow access to properties in order that any claims can be investigated.
- ↑ Contact Fife Keyfund immediately should difficulties arise within the tenancy.
- ↑ Make any claim on a deposit within one month of the Tenancy ending.
- ↑ Maintain contact with Fife Keyfund.