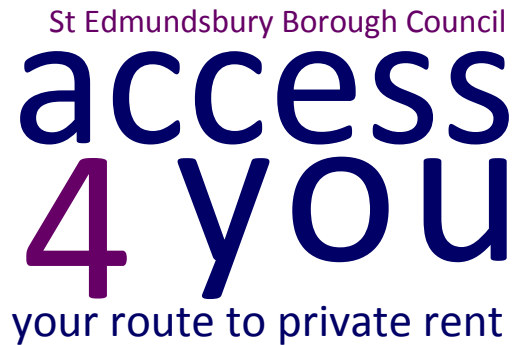


Fact Sheet 5 – Deposit Bond (access4you)

West Suffolk Lettings Partnership runs the Access4you Service which offers two products, one being the Deposit Bond. The aim of the deposit bond is to help people access the private rented sector across West Suffolk.



Who is eligible for Access4you?

To be eligible for this service you must be:

- Homeless or threatened with homelessness or have a housing need
- In receipt of housing benefit or eligible for housing benefit or on a low income
- Local to the West Suffolk (Forest Heath and St Edmundsbury) area with an established local connection

How does the Access4you service work?

St Edmundsbury Borough Council will provide the landlord with a written legal guarantee to cover the deposit up to a fixed amount. The landlord is given a legal document to confirm that that St Edmundsbury Borough Council would pay at the end of the tenancy if any damage occurred. You would be responsible for repaying the Council if a claim was made.

How do I apply?

To find out more information, please contact West Suffolk Lettings Partnership on 01284 757637 or email landlords@westsuffolk.gov.uk

Please note, you will be responsible for finding your own accommodation, and once found, the Council will inspect the property to make sure it is suitable. The final decision to take on the tenancy will be between you and the landlord.

Please note we have a limited fund for Deposit Bonds. Therefore even if you meet the above criteria, we cannot guarantee you will be successful in your application.