

Help with...

Internal Decorating

for older people and people
with disabilities

The scheme is to help older tenants and tenants with disabilities with decorating and gives you two options:

Option 1 – One room decorated per year by the council

Option 2 – Vouchers to purchase decorating materials

This leaflet contains applications forms for both options. Please read the scheme details overleaf carefully before completing the appropriate application form fully, and then return it to your local housing office.

MEARS



**Brighton & Hove
City Council**

About the decorating scheme

- to be eligible for this scheme you must:
 - be a tenant of Brighton & Hove City Council
 - be of state pension age or in receipt of Disability Living Allowance
 - have no-one living with you or no-one among your family or friends who can help with the decorating
- you can apply from April each year
- you cannot apply for redecoration of a room if it has been decorated in the last ten years
- tenants who are behind with their rent or have legal notices against their tenancy will not normally be considered
- the amount of money we set aside each year for the scheme is limited - if the limit is reached, the scheme will be closed until the following April and unsuccessful applicants need to reapply
- if your application is successful, our contractor will visit you between October and March to take measurements, discuss colours or papers and arrange a date for the work

For further information, please contact your local housing office or call the Mears Project Team on 01273 574403.

About the decorating voucher scheme

- you must have friends and/or family who are prepared and able to help you with the decorating
- the vouchers are for help towards the cost of wallpapers, varnishes, paints, paste, fillers, stripper and brushes/rollers
- the vouchers are valid for two calendar months from the date of issue and may only be exchanged for decorating materials at one of our nominated DIY retailers - they cannot be exchanged for cash
- you cannot apply for re-decoration of a room if that room has been decorated in the last ten years under this or any other council scheme - once all the rooms have been decorated, you will no longer be eligible for the scheme
- tenants who are behind with their rent or have legal notices against their tenancy will not normally be considered
- if your application is successful, vouchers are available for collection from the cashiers at your housing office

For further information, contact your housing office.

Application form for decoration by the council

Name:

Address:

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Post Code: Telephone:

Name and contact details of carer/relative (if applicable):

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Declaration

Please tick all applicable boxes:

I am of state pension age
or

I am in receipt of disability living allowance

I have no-one living with me who is working

I have no-one among my friends or family who can help with
the decorating

Room to be decorated:

Signature of applicant(s):

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(If you have a joint tenancy, both parties must fulfil the criteria and sign the form)

If repairs are needed before the room can be decorated, please contact the Repairs Helpdesk on **0800 052 6140**

Decorating voucher application form

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Address:

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Post Code: Telephone:

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Brighton & Hove City Council has an Equalities Policy to ensure all applicants are treated fairly. The details you give us will allow us to monitor whether these policies are working properly.

In compliance with the Data Protection Act, all information you give us will be strictly confidential.

Date of birth

Gender

Female Male Transgender

Ethnicity

White

British Irish Other White

Mixed parentage or heritage

White and Black Caribbean White and Black African
White and Black Asian Any other mixed background

Asian or Asian British

Indian Pakistani Bangladeshi
Any other Asian background

Black or Black British

Caribbean African
Any other Black background

Chinese or other ethnic group

Chinese Other ethnic group

We are committed to monitoring all aspects of diversity, but acknowledge that some people may be unwilling to answer the following questions – they are therefore optional.

Sexuality

Bisexual Gay Heterosexual
Lesbian Other

Religion/Faith

Buddhist Christian Hindu Jewish
Muslim Sikh None

Other, please state

Translation? Tick this box and take to any council office.

ترجمة؟ ضع علامة في المربع وخذها إلى مكتب البلدية. Arabic

অনুবাদ? বক্সে টিক চিহ্ন দিয়ে কাউন্সিল অফিসে নিয়ে যান। Bengali

需要翻譯? 請在這方格內加剔, 並送回任何市議會的辦事處。Cantonese

ترجمه؟ لطفاً این مربع را علامتگذاری نموده و آن را به هر یک از دفاتر شهرداری ارائه نمایند. Farsi

Traduction? Veuillez cocher la case et apporter au council. French

需要翻譯? 請在這方格內划勾, 并送回任何市议会的办事处。Mandarin

Ĥumaczenie? Zaznacz to okienko i zwróć do któregośkolwiek biura samorządu lokalnego (council office). Polish

Tradução? Coloque um visto na quadrícula e leve a uma qualquer repartição de poder local (council office). Portuguese

Tercümesi için kareyi işaretleyiniz ve bir semt belediye bürosuna veriniz Turkish

other (please state)

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