



# What is Let Us?

## An introduction for our partners...

Let Us is the Greater Manchester Ethical Lettings Agency. We are a group of landlords who already offer a private lettings service to landlords across Greater Manchester and are now extending this to offer additional affordable homes, helping to meet the housing needs of those who can't access social housing due to the very high demand. We offer a range of leases or property management services,

working to get landlords a fair financial return for their property whilst also helping to house those in housing need. Let Us is funded by Greater Manchester Combined Authority. There are 5 existing partners; Bolton at Home, Forhousing, Salix Living, Stockport Homes and Wigan Council. We are currently working to bring new members on board.

### Let Us aims to;

- Tackle poor quality standards in the lower end of the Private Rented Sector by providing landlords with advice and guidance.
- Work with landlords to improve access to Private Rented homes at affordable rent levels.
- Increase the supply of homes across GM to meet the needs of homeless households or those at risk of homelessness.

**We want to make it as easy and risk free as we can for landlords to be able to offer homes to people who really need them.**



## What are the targets?

**Let Us aims to acquire an additional**



**across the 10 Greater Manchester Local Authorities over 4 years**

## What is a Let Us property?

### **Let us manages or leases properties on behalf of private landlords.**

To be included as a 'Let Us' property the rent level must be at, or very close to, the Local Housing Allowance rate. This means that the properties are affordable to those who claim housing benefit. The property must then be allocated to someone who is homeless or at risk of homelessness, so for example, someone who is currently in a private rented property and their landlord has decided to sell the property therefore putting the tenant at risk of homelessness.

Properties can only be counted in the Let Us data if they were acquired on or after 1st April 2019. This is when Greater Manchester Combined Authority confirmed their commitment to fund Let Us through Greater Manchester Mayor Andy Burnham's Homelessness Trailblazer. There may be properties which are rented at higher rent levels, or which are not specifically for rent to homeless households. These can't be included as Let Us properties.

## How can I help Let Us?

### **The best way anyone can help us to reach our targets is by spreading the word.**

The more people that know about Let Us, the more landlords and investors we can reach. You might know someone personally who has a property to rent who might be interested, or someone you know might have a contact. You might even know about private landlords working in the communities where you work who might be interested in the offer or you may even own a property yourself.

**Please direct anyone who may be interested to fill in our simple online form at [www.LetUsGM.com](http://www.LetUsGM.com)**