Key information about the home

When you buy a home through shared ownership, you enter into a shared ownership lease. The lease is a legal agreement between you (the 'leaseholder') and the landlord. It sets out the rights and responsibilities of both parties.

Before committing to buy a shared ownership property, you should ensure you take independent legal and financial advice.

This key information document is to help you decide if shared ownership is right for you. You should read this document carefully so that you understand what you are buying, and then keep it safe for future reference.

It does not form part of the lease. You should carefully consider the information and the accompanying lease, and discuss any issues with your legal adviser before signing the lease.

Failure to pay your rent or service charge or your mortgage could mean your house is at risk of repossession.

Examples and figures provided in this key information document are correct at the time of issue but will change over time in accordance with changes in house prices and the terms of the shared ownership lease.

Address	Stortford, CM22 6ZL	Walk, Elsenham, Bishops Elsenham, Bishops Stortford,
Property type	2 bedroom semi-detached house	
Scheme	Shared ownership	
Full market value	£350,000	
Share purchase price	£140,000 (40% share)	
	The share purchase prican assessment of what y	e offered to you will be based on you can afford.
Rent	If you buy a 40% share, the rent will be £481.25 a month.	
	If you buy a larger share, you'll pay less rent.	
	depending on the amour worked example after a factor of the full market versions.	ulated as 2.75% of the remaining value owned by the landlord.
Monthly payment to the landlord	The monthly payment to Rent Service charge Estate charge Buildings insurance Management fee Reserve fund payment Total monthly payment	£481.25 £23.36 Included in the service charge £250 (estimated annually) Included in the estate charge Included in the estate charge

Reservation fee	£500
	You'll need to pay a reservation fee to secure your home. When you pay the fee, no one else will be able to reserve the home.
	See your reservation letter for details of how long the reservation fee holds the property for you. If you buy the home, the fee will be taken off the final amount you pay on completion. If you do not buy the home, the fee is not refundable.
Eligibility	To assess your eligibility, you'll need to register with a Help to Buy agent.
	You can apply to buy the home if your household income is £80,000 or less and you cannot afford to buy a home on the open market that is suitable for your needs with your deposit savings and a mortgage, and any of the following apply:
	 you're a first-time buyer you used to own a home, but cannot afford to buy one now you're forming a new household - for example, after a relationship breakdown you're an existing shared owner and want to move you own a home and want to move but cannot afford a new home for your needs
	If you own a home, you must have completed the sale of the home on or before the date you complete your shared ownership purchase.
	You must have a good credit record. Your application will involve an assessment of your finances.
	Also, you must have a local connection to Uttlesford District Countil either through residency, work or family.
Tenure	Leasehold
Lease type	Shared Ownership house lease
Lease term	900 years
Maximum share you can own	You can buy up to 100% of your home.
Transfer of freehold	At 100% ownership, the freehold will transfer to you.

Landlord	Eastlight Community Homes Eastlight House Charter Way Braintree CM77 8FG Under a shared ownership lease, you pay for a percentage share of the market value of a home. You enter into a lease agreement with the landlord, and agree to pay rent to the landlord on the remaining share.
Repairs allowance period	Up to £500 a year for the first 10 years to help with essential repairs. For more information, see section 5, 'Maintaining and living in the home', in the 'Key information about shared ownership' document.
Landlord's first option to buy	When you give the landlord notice that you intend to sell your share in your home, the landlord has 4 weeks to find a buyer. (The landlord may offer to buy back your share, but only in exceptional circumstances and if they have funds available.) If they do not find a buyer within 4 weeks, you can sell your share yourself on the open market. For example, through an estate agent.
Pets	You can keep pets at the home with Eastlight's written permission.

Subletting

You can rent out a room in the home at any time, but you must live there at the same time.

You cannot sublet (rent out) your entire home unless either:

- you own a 100% share
- you have your landlord's permission, which they will only give in exceptional circumstances

If you're a serving member of the armed forces, and you're required to serve away from the area where you live for a fixed period, you may sublet the entire home subject to the landlord's permission.