

Moving into a Listed Building

Welcome to your new home which forms part of a listed building.

Listed buildings are buildings that have been judged to be of national importance in terms of their architectural or historic interest and cover a whole building, including the interior.

Older and/or listed buildings often cost more to heat and run than other types of property. This is because older buildings were not designed with the same understanding of heat conservation that we now have, and that some of the energy saving measures such as double glazing and external wall insulation are not possible to install on listed buildings due to planning restrictions.

Therefore we thought it important to share the below suggestions with you to maximise the energy efficiency and performance in your home. Some of the things you can do is:-

- Ensure heating controls are set effectively to maximise efficiency (set to turn off at night or when out)
- Use curtains (heavier materials and double lined curtains are more effective) on all windows
- Use rugs or carpets on solid and timber floors (floor coverings and underlays must be permeable to avoid trapping moisture)
- If there are window shutters use these to reduce heat loss

There are many things you (or Platform) should not do to a listed building and which you and us are very unlikely to get consent for. Listed building consent must be applied for in order to make any changes to that building which might affect its special interest.

If any changes are proposed to the property, Platform as the landlord would be required to apply for Listed building consent can be applied for through your Local Authority.

If any repairs are required, please report them by registering for Your Platform at www.platformhg.com