



Pets in your home

In March 2022, we consulted with you to help us develop our pet policy.

Based on what you said, our new policy does not require everyone to request permission to keep a pet, providing they meet specific requirements.

This means we will not unreasonably refuse permission to keep a pet in your home, but we must consider if it is fair for you, your neighbours, and the animal you would like to keep.

FAQs about our pet policy

1. **Do I need your permission to have a pet if I have my own garden?** If you have direct access to a secure garden for your exclusive use, our permission is not required for one dog and two cats. You will need to complete the application if you wish to keep an additional animal.
2. **Do I need your permission to get a pet if I don't have my own garden?** If you don't have a garden for your exclusive use, you will need to seek permission to keep a cat or dog at your home.
3. **Do I need permission to get a fish tank or a caged bird/animal?** No, you will not need our permission for these, but we may still ask you to rehome these pets should they cause any nuisance or cause damage to your home.
4. **I live in a flat, can I have more than one pet?** This will depend on your circumstances, pet type, and home.
5. **I want to keep chickens, is this allowed?** You can apply for permission to keep chickens in writing. You can email myarea@havebury.com or send us a letter. If you want to build any housing for the chickens, you will need to apply for permission on our website.

It is important to note that some of our properties have 'No Pets' covenants as part of the planning permission, which means that pets are not allowed.

Please complete the form attached to apply for permission for your pet. You can also [complete it online](#) if you prefer.

Once you have completed it you can send it back to myarea@havebury.com or send it back to us at:

The Tenancy and Estates team
Havebury Housing Partnership
Havebury House
Western Way
Bury St Edmunds
Suffolk
IP33 3SP

If you have any questions, please call the Tenancy and Estates team on 0300 3300 900, selecting option 2 and option 2 or email us at myarea@havebury.com

Application for permission to keep a pet

Name

Address

About your home

Do you have a garden for your exclusive use?

- Yes
- No

If yes, you can keep one dog and two cats without our permission. You must request our permission to keep an additional cat or dog.

Do you share a garden with other tenants?

- Yes
- No

If yes, our permission will be needed to keep a dog or cat at your home.

Is your home a flat a House or a Bungalow

If it is a flat, what floor is your home on?

Does your front door open directly to the outside?

- Yes
- No

About your pet

Tell us about the pet that you would like to keep including type, name, age, and breed if known.

Do you have any other pets living with you at your home?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please give details.

Is the animal an assistance pet?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please give details. Please include supporting documents if you have any.

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about you or your pet?

Do you have a friend or family member who could look after the pet for you if you were not able to?

Please include their details here

Declaration

I understand that if permission is given for me to keep a pet at my home that this will include conditions that I must keep to. I understand that permission may be taken away if I do not keep to these conditions and may mean I will need to rehome my pet.

Name

Signature

Date