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St Mark's
housing co-operative

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St Mark's are proud of our long-standing relationships with the following housing associations:

Kensington Housing Trust
Notting Hill Housing Trust
Peabody Trust
Stadium Housing
Walterton and Elgin Community Housing

We'd like to thank the above associations for the hundreds of flats that have housed our many members over 20 years.



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**Working in the community to
provide affordable housing.**

who we are...



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before



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St Mark's is a short-life housing co-operative established in West London over 20 years ago as a registered Friendly Society.

With around 20 members at any one time, our aim is to lease vacant housing association properties while they await refurbishment or reassignment.

Unlike many larger housing co-operatives, every St Mark's member knows each other personally and feels a responsibility to our group. Every member contributes to the success of the co-op by being the best tenant possible. We are always friendly and flexible when liaising with housing officers.

All our prospective members are carefully vetted and enjoy good relations with their neighbours, contributing to the overall safety and upkeep of their area. All members attend monthly co-op meetings at which we discuss and vote on property management issues. When we first receive a property, the co-op team will clear rubbish, repair, clean and decorate. This helps to protect properties from illegal use or squatting; maintaining a 'lived-in' atmosphere. We make sure all members have gas checks and hot water.

If you have any problems with empty units please consider St Mark's, the friendly, responsible short-life housing co-op.

Empty spaces can become eyesores. They're vulnerable to squatters and vandals, and quickly become a magnet for antisocial behaviour. An uninhabited and unheated building will rapidly deteriorate, and serious structural problems may develop.

Do you have empty units waiting for funding for refurbishment?

Or flats where one lingering tenant is holding up refurbishment?

St Mark's housing co-op offers a practical, easy solution. It's a solution we have provided a number of housing associations for over 20 years:

- We lease the unit at an agreed rate.
- We always pay rent on time, by direct debit if required.
- We clear rubbish and maintain the property.
- We alert you to any structural problems (leaks, cracks).
- We tidy external spaces.
- We are friendly and respectful neighbours.
- We vacate the property promptly on request.*

*usually at one month's notice – but this is negotiable



before



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