

DECANT POLICY

August 2017

Approved by MC: August 2017

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1. STATEMENT OF INTENT

1.1 The aims of the policy are:

- To ensure the Co-op provides an effective and clear policy in relation to decanting customers.
- To make clear the reasons for a decant being required.

2. DEFINITION

2.1 For the basis of this policy a decant means – moving a tenant temporarily or permanently from their home into another appropriate property.

3. POLICY DETAILS

3.1 The Co-op will provide alternative accommodation for its tenants in the event that their home is not safe to live in.

3.2 The circumstances in which a tenant may be moved includes but is not limited to:

- Fire damage
- Flood damage
- A suitably qualified person deems it unsafe to remain
- Major works are required in the property

3.3 During a decant the affected party will not be liable for the rent in the previous property or any associated council tax or bills. The tenant will be required to pay for the rent and associated bills in the decanted property. This amount should be equivalent or less than their current rent. It should not exceed their current rent level. It will be the responsibility of the tenant to ensure the appropriate organisations are informed of the changes.

3.4 Any decant offer will need to be approved by the Management Committee.