

**LANDLORDS/LADIES  
DO YOU HAVE  
ACCOMMODATION TO LET?  
WE NEED LANDLORDS WHO:**

- Offer at least a six month Assured Short-hold Tenancy
- Have property which conforms to Environmental Health and Safety Standards and have a safety certificate for gas appliances
- Are not resident in the property or providing B&B
- Are not convicted of, or being prosecuted for, harassment or illegal eviction
- Are willing to work with us to help reduce homelessness

**FREE  
BENEFITS FOR LANDLORDS**

- DG cover towards possible damage and / or rent arrears (scheme is exempt from tenancy deposit legislation)
- A Housing Needs Assessment is completed for each prospective tenant
- Move-in & move-out visits with digital photographs
- 6 monthly tenancy reviews
- All Housing Benefit enquiries can be dealt with through Path
- Free problem solving service

**CONTACT DETAILS**

**Path Deposit Guarantee Team**

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Webshop: [www.buy.at/path](http://www.buy.at/path)

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**DEPOSIT  
GUARANTEE  
SCHEME**

A scheme to help people at risk of homelessness to access accommodation in the private rented sector

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## THE DEPOSIT GUARANTEE SCHEME

If you can answer YES to all of the following, this scheme may be for you

- Homeless or facing homelessness?
- On a low income or in receipt of benefits?
- Connected to the Plymouth area?
- A good tenant, with no history of rent arrears, nuisance or of damaging property?
- Aged 25 or over\*
- Have no other way of finding a deposit?

\* We can in some circumstances help people aged between 18-25. For more information contact the team. (Details on back page)

Warning: We cannot help if a tenant has been responsible for a claim against a deposit guarantee in a previous tenancy.

## WHAT IS A DEPOSIT GUARANTEE?

A way of covering a deposit when you can't afford it yourself. It is a written agreement instead of a cash deposit.

It is signed by:

- Path
- Tenant
- Landlord

### How much will Path cover?

One month's rent

### How long will it last?

Up to a maximum of 3 years

### What will it cover?

Damage or rent arrears - like a normal deposit.

## HOW TO APPLY

You must first be interviewed at the following agency who may make a referral to Path.

Plymouth City Council's  
**Housing Advice Service**

Midland House, Notte Street, Plymouth  
Mon to Thurs 09.00 to 16.30  
Fri 09.00 to 16.00

Telephone: 01752 305950



## WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Once you have been agreed for help:

- You will get a letter confirming how we will help you
- You will need to look for properties until you find one you like
- We will need to ensure that the property is affordable for you.

## WHAT PROPERTY IS SUITABLE?

A property is suitable if:

- it is the right size for you
- it meets basic safety standards
- the rent is at an affordable level

**Do not move in or sign anything until we have agreed to the tenancy.**

**We will not issue the guarantee if you move into the property before we have agreed to help.**