

Appendix D: Local Connection – Definition and Exclusions

LIST 2	Local connection, or exemption
2a	Currently living in the borough and have done so consistently for the last 5 years. Unless you have been housed in either a temporary tenancy or to receive support by Gedling Borough Council's Housing Needs team outside the borough.
2b	Currently be working in permanent paid employment in the Gedling Borough area for 16 hours per week or more, and have been employed in Gedling Borough for at least 5 years. Or is a social housing tenant who needs to move to Gedling Borough, to take up an offer of employment in the borough.
2c	The applicant provides or receives personal care from a parent, sibling or adult child who has lived in Gedling for the last five years and they need to move so that care arrangements can continue. Care must be provided for at least 3 hours per day and for at least 5 days per week. A Community Care Assessment and/ or confirmation of the arrangements by the Adult Services Department must be provided to evidence this plus evidence of carers allowance etc. A letter from a GP is not sufficient.
2d	Have been accepted by Gedling Borough Council under the homelessness legislation. Applicants will be made one offer anywhere either within the borough or surrounding areas. Those applicants accepted as homeless under S195 and S189(b) who do not have a local connection or who are unlikely to be owed the Main S.193 Duty and / or are likely to be found intentionally homeless may only be offered a private rented property to end the homelessness duty.
2e	Have been accepted for priority re-housing as a reciprocal arrangement with another Council or Registered Provider (RP).
2f	Have been placed in care as a child outside the area, but wish to return to Gedling (and previously lived in Gedling) and are still classed as a care
2g	Be a former care leaver aged 25 or younger who has been placed in care as a child in the Nottinghamshire County Council area, and wishes to live in
2h	Have been accepted as part of a witness protection recommendation by the police. (NB supporting evidence will be required)
2i	Have been living in temporary/supported accommodation provided by a local housing authority outside Gedling, but have had a local connection to Gedling (2a, 2b) before you were placed there. Or have been placed in supported housing by GBC anywhere as part of their prevention / relief work to prevent homelessness. NB Time spent in supported accommodation in the borough, for example Framework etc. will not give the applicant a connection to the borough. Their local connection will be determined by where they lived before they moved into the temporary / supported accommodation.

2j	The applicants is serving in the regular Armed Forces, Reserve Forces or Territorial Army, or have left those forces in the last five years, unless dishonorably discharged.
2k	Comprise of a household where the applicant is aged 50 or over and there are no children in the household and are willing to move into a sheltered living.
2l	Have no children but at least one person in your household is receiving the medium or high rate of the care element of Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payment and you are willing to move into a sheltered living property