

## **Rotherham's Right to Buy social mobility scheme**

The Council has been awarded £200,000 to help **Council tenants** who are eligible for the Right to Buy, but who don't want to buy their Council home.

We may be able to offer up to £20,000 to help tenants to buy a home on the open market. This will help people out with a deposit to buy a home that is suitable for their needs, and will also free up a Council property for someone on the housing register.

### **CRITERIA - All applicants must:**

- Be eligible for the RTB
- Be able to buy a property on the open market by March 2016 (and vacate their Council property)
- Be able to afford a mortgage and all associated costs
- Not already own a home
- Not be in the process of buying their current home under the RTB
- Not have previously bought a home under the RTB
- Understand that they cannot return to social housing while they own the property for which they receive a cash incentive

### **At least one of the following must also apply:**

- You are aged 55 or over and their current home does not meet their future needs
- You live in a property of non-traditional construction and cannot secure a mortgage
- You need to move for employment-related reasons

If this interests you, and if you meet the criteria above, please email [strategichousing@rotherham.gov.uk](mailto:strategichousing@rotherham.gov.uk) by no later than 8th January 2016 and we will contact you with more information.