

# **Other Types of Homes**

## **Policy R9: Other Types of Homes**

#### **Co-Living Developments**

C. Co-Living schemes will be required to provide affordable housing in accordance with the requirements set out in Policy R3, which must be provided on site as self-contained units.

## **Student Accommodation**

- D. Student accommodation must be directly associated with a local, recognised higher education premises
- E. Student accommodation must not dominate the housing mix and form only a small proportion of the overall development in an area

## **Places for Everyone Links**

JP-H1 and JP-H2

## **Relevant Strategic Objectives**

SO1, SO2, and SO5

#### Co-living developments

- 4.34. Co-living developments typically offer large-scale shared living arrangements with communal amenities such as gyms, cinemas, cafes, and co-working spaces. While they cater to single-person households who either cannot afford or choose not to live in self-contained accommodation, these developments can present affordability concerns. The associated high rental costs of co-living spaces, alongside their shared nature, often make them unaffordable for those in need of lower-cost housing. An element of affordable housing will therefore be required as part of these schemes, in accordance with the relevant policy requirement.
- 4.35. By adhering to these principles, Trafford aims to ensure that co-living contributes positively to the borough's housing landscape while prioritising affordability and the needs of local communities.

#### **Student Accommodation**



- 4.36. There are a number of educational providers in Trafford and the Council therefore supports the provision of appropriate student housing in the borough. Proposals for student housing should demonstrate a clear connection to the relevant education providers by using a nomination agreement.
- 4.37. The Council is also keen to ensure that student accommodation does not have a negative impact on existing local communities, the policy therefore seeks to limiting its concentration in an area. It should form part of a balanced housing mix in an area.

## **Consultation Question 4-15**

Do you support Policy R9? Are there any changes required which would improve the policy? Please provide any supporting evidence which you think is relevant.

## **Consultation Question 4-16**

Should the affordable housing requirement apply to student accommodation to enable a proportion of student accommodation schemes to be affordable to students from low-income backgrounds?

## **Consultation Question 4-17**

Should nomination agreements be used to ensure that accommodation is reserved for students enrolled at a named institution?