## Are you insured? Peace of Mind this Winter

We all see what devasting effects the weather can have, from gale force winds, rainwater flooding and frost bursting pipes. Is it time to consider, if an accident were to happen, would your home contents and personal belongings be protected?

The My Home Contents Insurance Scheme offers cover for damage to your contents caused by storms or floods, falling tress and branches, as well as fire, theft and more.

Here's some tips to keep your home protected this winter:

- If you are away from your home, close and lock all doors and windows, ask a neighbour to keep an eye out.
- Don't leave candles or flames unattended.
- Regularly clear debris from drains and ditches.
- Insulate pipes and water tanks. Wrap pipes in cold areas with pipe sponge covers.
- Consider home contents insurance.



We hope that you will never suffer a flood or water damage, but these things do happen and that is why your Landlord suggests all tenants and leaseholders take out home contents insurance, either through the special My Home Contents Insurance Scheme or by making your own arrangements. Contents insurance is designed to help protect your possessions and personal belongings.

It's a good idea to consider what a home contents insurance policy would cover you for in order to help you make an informed decision on whether you need one.

To find out more about the My Home scheme, which was designed for tenants in social housing, where you can pay premiums in cash fortnightly or monthly, monthly by direct debit or annually. (Fortnightly and monthly premiums include a transaction charge).

## **Contact us**

There are three ways to contact My Home.

- 1. Call My Home on: 0345 450 7288
- 2. Request an application pack from your local housing office
- Visit <u>www.thistlemyhome.co.uk</u> where you can also request someone to call you back!



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