



Above: Barking Riverside

About Southern Housing Group

Southern Housing Group was established in 1901 and owns and manages more than 28,000 homes in London and the South East of England. We provide housing for over 67,000 residents and employ around 800 people, offering a range of housing options for rent and home ownership.

Southern Housing Group is committed to providing housing of a high quality to all in housing need.

Our experience has taught us that investing in people and communities is as important as building homes and this philosophy has informed our activities for more than 100 years.

We aim to provide a first class housing management service to a range of tenures including social rent, Affordable Rent, shared ownership and outright sales.

As well as quality housing, the Group is committed to reducing its environmental footprint. We have improved the energy efficiency and environmental sustainability of our stock, and are committed to reducing the environmental impact of our homes and our offices.

We recognise the value of providing support to our residents and communities beyond providing homes and housing services.

Our dedicated Social and Economic Regeneration Department (SERD) is focused on investing in our communities through a variety of ground-breaking programmes.

Given some of the challenges our residents can face, this work has increasingly focused on supporting residents to become economically active through development of their financial, digital and employment skills, alongside our more traditional community investment work.

Group Profile / Introduction to the Group



Left
Highbury Gardens,
Islington

Right
Albany Villas,
Hove

In 2001 we celebrated the centenary of our founder, Samuel Lewis, who bequeathed £670,000 (equivalent to £30 million today) to provide housing for the poor.

The first Samuel Lewis Housing Trust estate at Liverpool Road in Islington was completed in 1910 and by 1939 another seven sites had been developed.

Today, Southern Housing Group is made up of the following:

- **Southern Housing Group Limited** – is the asset-owning parent body, and registered social landlord.
- **Southern Home Ownership** – is a non-charitable arm of the Group that provides a range of low cost home ownership and intermediate housing options.
- **Southern Space Limited** – is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Southern Housing Group set up in May 2005 to develop homes for outright sale. All profits generated by Southern Space's activity are used to provide much needed independent funding for other Group activities.

Overseeing all the Group's work is our Board. The Board is responsible for guiding our activities, formulating future strategies and plans, maintaining an overview and monitoring the work of its subsidiaries and committees.

The Board meets four times per year for regular business and once for a seminar to discuss strategic issues.

Board members serve a maximum of three continuous terms of three years.

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