

# Tell your MP why supported housing is important to you

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home

Starts at Home campaign aims to ensure that people who need extra support will always have a home that meets their needs. We do this by telling MPs and decision makers about the positive stories of people who have gained independence through supported housing. Tell your MP about your story and how supported housing has helped you. Use this quick guide to write your MP a letter.

If you don't know who your MP is then finding out is simple.

- Call the Housing of Commons Information Office on 020 7219 4272.
- Visit [www.theyworkforyou.com](http://www.theyworkforyou.com) and enter your postcode to find your MP's name, which party they belong to and what constituency you live in.

## Example Starts at Home supporter MP Letter

*[First name surname]* MP  
House of Commons  
London  
SW1A 0AA

*Your name*

*Address*

*Town*

*Postcode*

*Date*

Dear *[MP's name]*

RE: Starts at Home campaign

*Say why supported housing is important to you and how it helps you or your family in your local area?*

Key messages:

- That's why I am backing the Starts at Home campaign (<http://startsathome.org.uk>)
- Starts at Home celebrates how supported housing has helped hundreds of thousands of people gain their independence.
- *Ask your MP to champion supported housing in Parliament when he or she returns after the summer.*

*[Thank your MP and tell them you look forward to hearing from them soon.]*

*[Your signature]*

*[Your name]*

If you have any question then contact Barry Hartness, Public Affairs Officer, National Housing Federation, on [barry.hartness@housing.org.uk](mailto:barry.hartness@housing.org.uk) or 020 7067 1087.