

## **Appendix 5**

### **Overcrowding Strategy Pledges**

1. We will directly tackle overcrowding by buying back an estimated 280 family sized homes over the next 5 years – homes that were sold under the Right to Buy.
2. Our programme will provide a gain of up to 410 additional bedrooms, depending on properties available on the market.
3. We will fund our programme by selling a limited number of homes which are too small for families, empty homes that need so much money it would be better to buy a new home, or homes that do not provide good housing for our residents.
4. We will individually assess every home that might be sold and determine the best outcome for our residents – every penny will support our family friendly programme.
5. When we sell a property we will advertise locally and also check if our Council owned company 'Camden Living Ltd' can buy the property so it can provide high quality rented homes.
6. We will preserve the mix of tenures across our streets and wards by making sure we buy back family sized homes in all parts of the Borough.
7. Where we hold the 'freehold only' on properties we will give resident leaseholders first opportunity to buy the freehold.
8. We will work with our overcrowded households to find solutions while they wait for a larger home.
9. We will look at new solutions to help those who are under occupying homes to find a suitable smaller home.