## Shared Ownership in the heart of London

Goodman's Fields is one of Newlon's newest developments. Built in conjunction with Berkeley Homes, it is located just minutes from Aldgate East station. A resident there shares her journey to Shared Ownership.



Ailish works as a solicitor in central London. She moved to London from Reading three and a half years ago to start her training contract and had been renting in Acton and Stratford before making the decision to buy.

"I was keen to get on the property ladder because I was so fed up of renting," explained Ailish. "I was paying almost £1000 every month and it felt like I was just throwing money away."

Without a deposit big enough to buy a flat outright in Central London, Ailish looked at options available before settling on Shared Ownership.

"I decided against Help to Buy because I was worried about having to pay interest on the Equity Loan after five years. Buying a Shared Ownership property enabled me to get a property quickly and with a relatively small deposit."

Ailish first encountered Newlon at the First Time Buyer Show in September 2019. She was drawn towards Goodman's Fields and made a formal application after arranging a visit.

"I really like the development as there are lots of restaurants, bars and supermarkets nearby and it's great being so close to Tower Bridge and the Thames Path. One my priorities when looking at flats was to keep my commute as short as possible and I can now walk to work in less than 15 minutes."

Another positive for Ailish was how easy and straightforward the buying process was.

"The Newlon sales staff were very helpful and answered all of my questions quickly even the tricky ones. I instructed solicitors at the end of October and got the keys by December."

"I really enjoyed living in a flat share, but it's great having so much space of my own," said Ailish. "I love everything about my home - the location, the decor and best of all it's mine!"

If you want to find out more about the Shared Ownership properties Newlon has available go visit newlonliving.co.uk.