



Is a house share for you?

House shares can be an amazing way to save a bit of money and make some life-long friends.

If you've just moved to **Manchester** (or are considering it) they can be an excellent way to find out about the **local area**. Your housemates will be able to show you the best places to eat, drink and pass some time – and it'll be much quicker than working it all out for yourself.

If you've lived in Manchester for a while and know your Eccles from your Salford Quays then there's still a lot to get out of a house share. It's a great way to **broaden your horizons** and **save money** on rent – which could go towards the deposit you're saving up for or that trip to the Far East that you've been dreaming of while counting down the hours at work.

Most of all a house share is just more fun than living on your own. Chores are (a little) less painful when you tackle them together and that glass of wine in the evening can lead to anything – like an epic movie night or a trip down to the local pub. Before jumping into a house share, however, it's best to check whether it'll fit **your lifestyle**.

Here's five questions you should ask yourself:

- ▶ **Am I happier with other people?**
- ▶ **Am I open to new experiences?**
- ▶ **Am I happy compromising about different peoples' lifestyles?**
- ▶ **Am I respectful and conscientious regarding shared environments?**
- ▶ **Am I happy to pull my weight in shared chores?**

If your answer is 'yes' to most or all of these questions, then it's likely that a house share will be the right direction for you. Give us a call and we can help you find your new home. If you answered 'no' to a few of them – have a good think about why you gave the answer you did. It may be that you need to do a bit more soul searching before committing to a house share.

We can find you a new home in Manchester.

Call us on **0161 401 9378** or email **info@zestpropertymanagement.co.uk**

CODE OF HONOUR FOR A HAPPY HOUSEHOLD:

▶ Be honest

Being trustworthy is the most important thing any for any housemate to be. Even if you make a mistake, admitting to it will get you a lot further than covering it up.

▶ Be flexible

Some people are night owls and others are early birds. Being accommodating of other peoples' lifestyles is essential for a happy household.

▶ Be diplomatic

If any discussions ever come up, be open to both sides of the debate. By keeping an open mind you're more likely to resolve debates quickly and without any tension.

▶ Be a friend

Kindness is also very important for keeping spirits up in the household, and a sure way to make great friends. By keeping an eye out for your housemates you'll also get the same back – making a fantastic community in your new home.

HOW ZEST CAN HELP?

We do comprehensive checks to ensure that you have honest, **reliable housemates**. We also go to great lengths to match you with your future housemates and confirm that your lifestyles will work together

in harmony. Plus, at Zest every room comes with **free unlimited broadband, no deposit** to pay and **all bills included**.

Ready to find your new home? If so, then we'd love to hear from you.

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