

Media Enquiry (Tameside Independent → Jigsaw Homes Press Office) Public Interest Enquiry – GMCA-Funded Housing & Unanswered Safeguarding Concerns

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To press@jigsawhomes.org.uk <press@jigsawhomes.org.uk>

Dear Jigsaw Homes Press Office,

Tameside Independent is preparing a public interest report regarding the use of public funding by Registered Providers in Greater Manchester — specifically in relation to housing allocations for vulnerable families.

We understand that Jigsaw Homes has received funding via the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA), including allocations from the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund and involvement in Housing First initiatives. These programmes are publicly funded and intended to support those in greatest housing need.

We are seeking comment on the following:

1. How many GMCA-funded homes managed by Jigsaw in Tameside have been allocated to households deemed homeless or in priority need by the local authority since April 2024?
2. What is Jigsaw's current policy on responding to safeguarding-based housing requests, particularly where a child with an EHCP and complex needs is involved?
3. How does Jigsaw define the distinction between "affordable" and "social" housing in its developments — and what proportion of new builds are reserved for the latter?

This enquiry follows a detailed letter sent to your Chief Executive on 21 May 2025 regarding a vulnerable child's housing case, which remains unanswered. We will be referencing this in our reporting.

If Jigsaw Homes would like to provide a statement or clarification, we will publish it in full and without editorial alteration. Please respond within 7 working days from today if possible.

Kind regards,

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