Estate and Letting Agents

If you would like to know where to start with renting or buying a property through an agency, here are some contacts you could try:

Headington Area

Allen and Harris

129-131 London Road, Headington, Oxford, OX3 9HZ Tel 01865 767414, Website www.allenandharris.co.uk/

Andrews Letting and Management

101 London Road, Headington, Oxford, OX3 9AE Tel 01865 759555, Website www.andrewsonline.co.uk/

Connells

137A London Road, Headington, Oxford, OX3 9HZ Tel 01865 763501, Website www.connells.co.uk/

Chancellors

107 London Road, Headington, Oxford, OX3 9HZ Tel 01865 763464, Website www.chancellors.co.uk/branches/headington-property

Finders Keepers (Lettings)

East Oxford office

Tel 01865 200012, Website www.finders.co.uk/search/oxfordshire

Leaders

2 Windmill Road, Headington, Oxford, OX3 7BX Tel 01865 764533, Website www.leaders.co.uk

Lee and Lindars (Oxford)

2-4 Windmill Road, Headington, Oxford, OX3 7BU
Tel 01865 308855, Website <u>leeandlindars.com/agent/frontpage.asp</u>

Oxford Lettings

226 Cowley Road, Oxford, OX4 1UH
Tel 01865 726262, Website www.oxfordletting-property.co.uk/

Premier Letting and Management

207 Cowley Road, Oxford, OX4 1XF

Tel 01865 792299, Website www.premier.uk.com/

Scott Fraser

77 London Road, Headington, Oxford, OX3 9AA Tel 01865 761111, Website www.scottfraser.co.uk/

Spire Properties

9b Windmill Road, Headington, Oxford, OX3 7BW Tel 01865 744555, Website www.spireproperties.co.uk/

Taylors

122 London Road, Headington, Oxford, OX3 9AZ

Tel 01865 479679, Website www.taylorsestateagents.co.uk/forsaleoffice/headington/420/

Banbury Area

Bairstow Eves Countrywide - Banbury

25a High Street, Banbury, OX16 5EG

Tel 01295 207696, Website www.bairstoweves.co.uk/forsaleoffice/banbury/246/

Chancellors

1 Horse Fair, Banbury, OX16 0AA

Tel 01295 267567, Website www.chancellors.co.uk/branches/banbury-property

Connells

5 Rotary Way, Banbury, OX16 1ER Tel 01295 257323 **and**

33 Bridge Street, Banbury, OX16 5PN

Tel 01295 268101, Website www.connells.co.uk/estate-agents/banbury

Hamptons International - Banbury (Lettings)

44 Mark Place, Banbury, OX16 5NW

Tel 01295 203039, Website www.hamptons.co.uk/toletoffice/banbury/1611/

Martin and Co Banbury

Cross House, 38 High Street, Banbury, OX16 5ET

Tel 01295 701773, Website www.martinco.com/lettings-agents/banbury

Taylors Estate Agents

8 Market Place, Banbury, OX16 5LG

Tel 01295 675067, Website www.taylorsestateagents.co.uk/forsaleoffice/banbury/1354/

Cherry Lets

Manor Farm Cottage, Hampton Road, Deddington, Banbury,

OX15 0QG

Tel 01869 337346, Website www.cherry-lets.co.uk/contact/cherry-lets

Distinct Estate Agents

Bloxham Mill, Barford Road, Bloxham, Banbury, OX15 4FF Tel 01295 724243, Website www.distinctestateagents.co.uk/

Finders Keepers

3 Horse Fair, Banbury, OX16 0AA

Tel 01295 276766, Website www.finders.co.uk/lettingagents/banbury

Leigh Estate Agents and Property Rentals

6 Horse Fair, OX16 0AA

Tel 01295 258254, Website www.leighestateagents.co.uk/

PW Properties

Blenheim Palace, Kings Sutton, Banbury, OX17 3QX Tel 01295 590004, Website www.pwproperties.co.uk/

Stepping Stones

3/4 Horsefair, Banbury, OX16 0AA

Tel 01295 275909, Website www.steppingstonesletting.com/contact-us/

House shares/private renting

You may prefer the option of seeking a house-share or private rent. Here are some links to some useful websites that cover the Oxford area:

Daily Info Oxford: <u>www.dailyinfo.co.uk</u>

House Share: <u>www.houseshare.com/house-share/oxford</u>

Rightmove: <u>www.rightmove.co.uk</u>

Spare Room: <u>www.spareroom.co.uk/flatshare/oxford</u>

Zoopla: <u>www.zoopla.co.uk</u>

Scams

Unfortunately there have been reports of some accommodation scams in the area. Warning signs include:

- you are asked to wire money via Western Union
- the landlord is away/unable to show you around the property
- contact information that does not work
- a landlord using a free email address like hotmail or gmail
- the price is much cheaper than others in the area
- the landlord asks for money before you have seen the property

If you are suspicious contact Citizens Advice and if you are aware of a scammer cut off all contact and report them immediately to www.actionfraud.police.uk/report fraud

Share and Care

Share and Care is a home-share organisation which specialises in placing live-in sharers with homeowners who need some practical help and companionship. It can relieve sharers from some of the financial burden by helping with affordable accommodation and can be rewarding to both parties. For more information please visit www.shareandcare.co.uk

Housing information

If you want to find out how to apply for housing; how to apply for grants to improve your home; details of local housing associations; how to apply for housing benefit; or information about affordable housing schemes in the Oxford area, please visit: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/housing

Housing Options Service, Oxford City Council

St Aldates Chambers, St Aldates, Oxford (Opposite Town Hall) **Drop-in sessions**: Mon-Thurs 09.00-16.30, Fri 09.00-16.00

Tel 01865 252858, Email housingneeds@oxford.gov.uk

For the **Banbury area**, contact Cherwell District Council, Housing Tel 01295 227001, Website www.cherwell.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=1791

Catalyst Communities Housing Association

The Farmhouse, Nightingale Avenue, Blackbird Leys, Oxford, OX4 7BU Tel 01865 712244, Website www.chg.org.uk/about-us/contact-us/

Green Square – provider of housing, regeneration, care and support and commercial services across Oxfordshire

244 Barns Road, Oxford, OX4 3RW

Tel 01865 773000, Email info@greensquaregroup.com, Website www.greensquaregroup.com/about-us

Debt advice and citizens advice

There are a number of websites and telephone helplines that can give debt advice and help you to deal with financial difficulties/queries:

Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit – information and advice Tel 0845 300 3900, Website www.hmrc.gov.uk/taxcredits

National Debtline – free service to help deal with debt problems Tel 0808 808 4000, Website www.nationaldebtline.co.uk

Payplan – gives advice on your debts Tel 0800 917 7823, Website <u>www.payplan.com</u>

Citizens Advice Bureau – help to deal with legal, money and welfare benefit issues

95 St Aldates, **Oxford Drop-in sessions**: Mon 10.00-12.00, Tues 10.00-13.00, Wed 10.00-13.00, Thurs 12.00-15.00, Fri 10.00-12.00, Sat 10.00-12.00

Tel 0870 220 0608, Website www.citizensadvice.org.uk/

Banbury: 26 Cornhill Market Place, Banbury, OX16 5NG, Tel 0844 8487922

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