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HSBC Launches New Lowest Ever 5 Year Fixed Mortgage

2.49% 5 year fixed rate at 60% LTV

HSBC has responded to growing demand for borrowers seeking a fixed rate by launching its lowest ever 5 year fixed rate and reducing rates on its fixed rate mortgages.

The rates, available from Monday 29th April, are available to borrowers with a 40% deposit or equity include:

- **1.89%** 2 year fixed £1999 fee
- **2.49%** 5-year fixed £1999 fee
- **3.49%** 7-year fixed £999 fee
- **3.99%** 10-year fixed £999 fee

In addition, HSBC is lowering rates on mortgages for customers with a 10% deposit or equity:

- 3.64% 2-year fixed £999 fee
- **4.39%** 5-year fixed £999 fee
- **4.89%** 7-year fixed fee-free*
- **5.29%** 10- year fixed fee-free*

Peter Dockar, HSBC Head of Mortgages, said: "Many borrowers are seeking the security of a fixed rate on their mortgage and we have responded to growing demand by reducing fixed rates across our high and low loan to value bands to help a wide range of borrowers."

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Notes to Editors

HSBC mortgages are only available directly from HSBC - they are not available from brokers or any other intermediaries.

* Fee-free means: No booking fee, no standard valuation fee, no completion fee.

HSBC will cover the cost of one standard valuation where this is required by HSBC as part of the mortgage application. Additionally, where it is a straight forward transfer from another lender, HSBC also pays the standard legal costs.

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