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Along with our standard range of housing options, South Norfolk Council can help people who are looking for accommodation designed specifically for those over 60 years of age (in some cases over 55).

In many cases this accommodation is very similar to the general housing stock.

The list below is not exhaustive but simply a sample of the range of options South Norfolk Council can help our residents access in addition to all our usual housing options.

A range of accommodation is available for people over 60 years of age. We can refer you to our partner landlords for assessment.

In South Norfolk there are several schemes including:

- Woodcotes, Hethersett (Broadland Housing Association) (usually for applicants over 55 years of age)
- Bullace Road, Costessey (Cotman Housing)
- Albion House, Poringland (Wherry Housing) (usually for applicants over 55 years of age)

As well as the schemes managed by Saffron Housing Trust:

- Churchill Place, Brooke
- Clare House, Diss
- Davy Place, Loddon
- Depwade Court, Long Stratton
- Jubilee Place, Wymondham
- Marion Roberts Court, Hethersett
- Mendham Close, Harleston
- Millfields, Hempnall
- Oak Tree Place, Diss
- Ogden Close and Stanley Court, Wymondham
- Scudamore Place, Ditchingham
- The Dell, Trowse
- Thomas Manning Road, Diss

Housing with Care

Housing with Care is an enhanced service for applicants with care needs assessed by Norfolk County Council. With high quality accommodation and access to 24 hour care and support from a team of on site staff, this service focuses on promoting the independence of each resident.

For more information regarding Housing with Care please call the Housing Options Team on 0808 168 2222, or contact the schemes using the details below. Please be aware that all applicants will need a recent Care Needs assessment completed by a social worker to access this service. Norfolk County Council Social Services can be contacted on 0344 800 8014 or via their website www.norfolk.gov.uk

The Housing with Care Schemes in South Norfolk are:

- Barley Court, Costessey – 01603 741717
- Robert Kett Court, Wymondham - 01953 600464
- Saxon House, Loddon 01508 528971
- Weavers Court, Diss – 01379 643439
- Grays Fair Court, Costessey – 01603594747
Private Retirement Housing

There are various retirement schemes that are not advertised through Home Options but still represent an excellent option for South Norfolk residents. These can include accommodation to rent, buy or part rent and part buy and are usually for applicants over 55 years of age.

Anchor Housing

England’s largest not-for-profit provider of housing and care for the over-55s, Anchor offer both retirement properties and specialist care homes.

The rented retirement schemes offer purpose built and well maintained rented accommodation for people aged over 55, the accommodation is self contained allowing full independence. Anchor’s retirement properties for sale offer the opportunity to own a retirement home without the burden of worrying about expensive maintenance and repairs.

Schemes in and near South Norfolk include:
- Pilgrim House, Hingham
- Holly Court, Attleborough
- Leyham Court Bowthorpe
- Bately Court Norwich and
- Boniface Close, Norwich

Telephone: 0845 140 2020.  
Website: www.anchor.org.uk

Housing 21

Housing 21 is a social enterprise for older people providing homes and services aiming bring communities together to create active, supportive environments which value older people. Housing 21 manage over 18,000 sheltered, extra care apartments and bungalows in 470 schemes and work in 240 local authority areas in the UK, including Terence Airey Court, Harleston.

New property for sale 0345 608 4021  
Resale properties 0370 192 4000  
Property for rent 0345 6066363  
Website: www.housing21.co.uk

Hanover Housing

Hanover Housing are a national organisation helping people to rent properties in supportive communities and promoting security, independence and quality of life. They also help residents through affordable home ownership that offers a comfortable lifestyle and peace of mind in for those of retirement age. They have schemes in Hingham, Mulbarton and Harleston with many others in Norfolk.

For lettings enquiries please contact: 0800 280 2575, for sales enquiries call 01480 223179 / 0870 6003074  
Website: www.hanover.org.uk

The Earl of Northampton’s Charity

The Mercers’ Company administers Trinity Hospital Shotesham as a Trustee of the Charity of the Earl of Northampton. This pretty, modernised almshouse is set in lovely grounds in the village of Shotesham. Sheltered housing with a resident almoner and 24 hour warden control through an alarm system. This scheme offers modern 1 and 2 bedroom accommodation for those living within a 20 mile radius of Shotesham Parish Church.

For applications please contact the Trustee at: The Housing Co-ordinator, The Mercers’ Company, Mercers’ Hall, Ironmonger Lane London EC2V 8HE, 0207 776 7215.

For further information about the scheme please contact them on 01508 558117.

Norwich Housing Society

Norwich Housing Society offers sheltered housing for the over 60’s in and around Norwich. In addition, there are some general needs flats available for the over 55’s.

- Lanchester Court, Old Palace Road
- St Barnabas Court, Heigham Street
- Westwood House, Edinburgh Road
- Rotary Court, Hellesdon Low Road
- Stuart Court, Recorder Road
- Old School Court, Bracondale
- Fiddy’s Yard, Ber Street
• Eleanor Road, Off Trafford Road
• Leander Court, Bluebell Road, Eaton

Contact: Norwich Housing Society, 13 Bracondale, Norwich, Norfolk NR1 2AL.
01603 625078
reception@norwichhousingsociety.co.uk
www.norwichhousingsociety.org

Girling’s Retirement Rentals
Retirement properties in Norfolk for over 55s. Telephone: 0800 525 184
Website: www.girlings.co.uk

McCarthy and Stone
Retirement homes (for purchase) in Norfolk. Telephone: 0800 919 132
Website: www.mccarthyandstone.co.uk

Peverel Housing
Peverel Housing have retirement homes for purchase with schemes in Norwich and Wymondham (Fairland Court).
Telephone: 0845 8805560.
Website: www.peverelretirement.co.uk

Other Useful Contacts

Age UK Norfolk (formerly Age Concern Norfolk) is an independent charitable organisation with over 60 years experience dedicated to promoting the well-being of all older people throughout Norfolk. Age UK offer an information and advice service on a wide range of issues and operate a range of community development projects involved with identifying and supporting the needs of older people. Age UK Norfolk also works in close partnership with Norfolk County Council providing community support centres, respite and day centre facilities. They also maintain a very successful Care Home Finder Service which can be accessed at:

www.acnorfolk.org.uk/care_home_finder

Alternatively they can be contacted by phone on: 01603 787111

The South Norfolk Council Independent Living Team has a varied and valuable role. Their work involves helping residents apply for grants and adaptation, maximising their income and helping elderly and vulnerable residents to help stay in their own homes. The Independent Living team also work hard to ensure residents feel safe and have adequate security in their homes.

Our Independent Living Team can be contacted on: 01508 533705

Norfolk County Council Adult Social Services can help people in Norfolk to live fulfilling and independent lives. The help offered could be a combination of advice and practical support from County Council service or referrals to other agencies. Services include, care provision and support at home, assessments of care needs, residential and nursing housing and funding and assessment for housing with care. There are also other services such as carer support and blue parking badges.

Norfolk County Council also have Occupational Therapists who may be able to help with adaptations in your home.

Norfolk County Council adult services can be contacted on 0344 800 8020 or by visiting their website www.norfolk.gov.uk

HousingCare.org is a useful website to help search for retirement homes and sheltered housing in Norfolk and nationally. This is a charity run site providing free advice on care and specialist directories for many different types of housing. Their website can be accessed at: www.housingcare.org and they also have an advice line: 0800 377 7070

Contact Care Lifeline Alarm (Community Alarm / Telecare / Personal Alarm Button), Saffron Housing Trust.
A Pendant Alarm can help you stay independent and safe in your own home. One press of the button puts you in touch with a 24hr trained operator who has your health and contact information to hand. The small, waterproof button works in your home and garden.
For more information visit: www.contactcarelifeline.co.uk or call free on 0800 917 4680.