



Older people's housing needs survey

Tell us your plans and help us plan for East Sussex

We know that people will make different decisions about where they live as they get older. Some will want to stay living in the same place; others will look to move to more manageable homes; and some will feel that older people's specialist accommodation best suits their needs.

So we'd like to know: What are your plans?

If you live in East Sussex and are starting to think about where you want to live as you get older, we'd really love to hear from you. We want to hear from home owners and renters, and people living in all types of properties.

If you've already moved, we'd also really like to hear about your reasons for moving.

This is your chance to influence:

- supported housing services for older people;
- the sort of accommodation on offer to older people;
- the amount of accommodation that is built; and
- where it is built.

Although this questionnaire is aimed at people aged 55 and over, we welcome views about older people's housing from East Sussex residents of any age.

Please return your completed questionnaire by 19 March to: Housing needs survey, North A Floor, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, BN7 1UE

To complete the survey online, please visit: www.eastsussex.gov.uk/housingneeds

If you have any questions about the survey or need it in another format or language, please contact us on:

Email: consultation.ASC@eastsussex.gov.uk

Phone: 01273 481 565

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Information about specialist housing choices for older people



*Allingham Lodge, Eastbourne
Churchill Retirement Living*



*Cherry Tree Court, Horam
Wealden District Council*



*The Orangery, Sidley
Amicus Horizon*

Retirement housing

Retirement housing is usually built by private developers.

Once all the properties have been sold, the scheme is usually run by a separate management group who employ the scheme manager and organise maintenance and other services.

Sheltered housing

These schemes typically offer self-contained accommodation for rent.

They are usually supported by a scheme manager and 24-hour emergency help. There are often communal areas and some offer activities. Most accommodation is offered for rent, based on need, by local councils or housing associations.

Extra care

Extra care is designed with the needs of frailer older people in mind and most services have eligibility criteria. Residents live in self-contained homes.

It typically has more communal facilities and offers access to on-site domestic and personal care support. Providers in East Sussex include Saxon Weald and Amicus Horizon.

Find out more online at...

Retirement housing

www.housingcare.org/sheltered-housing/area-1-east-sussex.aspx

Allingham Lodge

www.churchillretirement.co.uk/retirement-apartments-for-sale/east-sussex/allingham-lodge/

Sheltered housing

www.eastsussex.gov.uk/socialcare/leaving-home/sheltered/

Extra care

www.eastsussex.gov.uk/socialcare/leaving-home/extra-care-housing/what-is-extra-care-housing/

Extra care living at Saxon Weald

www.youtube.com/watch?v=qFO2Deyxo0U

The questionnaire

Please tick this box if you are completing the survey as a couple or family

It's really important that you tell us your post code, as we want to understand the different housing needs across the county.

Your post code:

About you

If you are completing the survey as a couple or a family, please provide details for both of you. Otherwise just leave the row for Respondent 2 blank.

Q1) Are you:

Respondent 1: Male Female

Respondent 2: Male Female

Q2) Which of these age groups do you belong to?

Respondent 1: Under 55 55-64 65-74

75-84 85-94 95+

Respondent 2: Under 55 55-64 65-74

75-84 85-94 95+

Q3a) Do you currently get help with your daily activities?

For example, help to do things like get up/go to bed, dress/undress, get washed, use the toilet, prepare a meal, manage your medication or your home.

Respondent 1: Yes No Planning to get help

Respondent 2: Yes No Planning to get help

Q3b) If you said that you do get help with daily activities, who helps you?

Please tick all that apply.

	<i>Respondent 1</i>	<i>Respondent 2</i>
A family member or friend	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A care worker paid for by Adult Social Care	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A care worker who I pay for	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Your home and housing choices

Q4) Is the property you live in:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Owned outright with no mortgage | <input type="checkbox"/> Owned with a mortgage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rented privately (unfurnished) | <input type="checkbox"/> Rented privately (furnished) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rented from a housing association or local council | <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary housing such as a hostel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shared with family or friends | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please explain below) |

Please explain:

Q5) Thinking about your needs as you get older, have you, or are you:

- | | |
|--|-----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Don't need to make changes to stay living in my current home | Go to Q16 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Already made changes so you can stay in your current home | Go to Q6 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning to make changes so you can stay in your current home | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Already moved to a smaller or more accessible home | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning to move to a smaller or more accessible home | Go to Q7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Already moved to specialist housing for older people | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning to move to specialist housing for older people | |

Staying in your current home

Q6) Please tell us about any changes and adaptations you have already had done or are planning to do:

Please tick all that apply.

	Already had done	Planning to do
Grab rails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stair lift	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adaptations to bathrooms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved access such as ramps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please explain below)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please explain:

Once you've answered Q6, please go to Q16 on page 8.

Moving from your current home

Q7) If you haven't already moved, when are you planning to move?

- Within the next few years In 3-5 years' time
 In 6-10 years' time More than 10 years' time

Q8) What was the main reason you moved or are considering moving?

- To live in a smaller home To live in a larger home
 To have access to care services To live in a more accessible home
 To be closer to family and friends To be closer to a town centre
 Other (please explain:)

If you are planning to move into specialist housing for older people please complete the next section. Otherwise, go to Q16 on page 8.

Making decisions about moving into specialist housing

Q9) If you haven't already moved into specialist older people's housing, where would you like the accommodation to be located?

- Near a town centre Outskirts of town with good transport
 By the coast Rural village
 Other (please explain:)

Q10) If you haven't already moved into older people's housing, which districts or boroughs would you consider moving to?

Please tick all that apply.

- Eastbourne Borough Council Hastings Borough Council
 Lewes District Council Rother District Council
 Wealden District Council Not sure

Q11) How many bedrooms would you want in the property?

- One Two Three Four plus

Q12) Would it be, or was it, important to have access to on-site care and support services in the accommodation?

- Yes No Not sure

Q13) If you plan to move or have moved, what would be the most important aspects of the accommodation for you? Please tick all that apply.

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bringing my pets with me | <input type="checkbox"/> To live in a more accessible home |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Taking my own furniture | <input type="checkbox"/> Adequate storage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Storage for mobility equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> A launderette on site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A balcony | <input type="checkbox"/> A garage or parking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A shared garden | <input type="checkbox"/> My own garden |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shared lounges or similar space | <input type="checkbox"/> Access to activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In an area with cafes and shops | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please explain below) |

Please explain:

Q14) What type of specialist older people's housing are you planning to move into or have you already moved into? (See page 2 for more information)

	Planning to move into	Moved into
Retirement home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sheltered housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Extra care housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please explain below)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please explain:

Q15) When moving into older people's housing, would you rather:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buy outright or with a mortgage | <input type="checkbox"/> Have shared equity (part buy/rent) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rent from a local council | <input type="checkbox"/> Rent from a housing association |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rent from a private landlord | <input type="checkbox"/> Not sure |

Prize draw, results and focus groups

Q16) If you would like to take part in the prize draw, be sent the results and/or take part in focus groups, please let us know and provide your contact details:

- I would like to be entered into the prize draw to win a Love to shop voucher
- I would like to be sent the results
- I would be interested in taking part in a focus group

Your name:.....

Telephone number:.....

Email or postal address:

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Prize draw terms and conditions: East Sussex County Council is organising the prize draw (ESCC, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, BN7 1UE). By entering the prize draw, you agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of entry.

- 1) This competition is open to all UK residents of all ages; however, if under the age of 12 parental/carer consent is required. We will need to verify parental/carer consent to participate in the event of a person aged under the age of 12 winning. If under the age of 18 please write your age on your entry. Only one entry per person is allowed.
- 2) No purchase is necessary for entry. To enter, complete the questionnaire as appropriate, send your name and address details to the address shown. All entries must be received by the closing date specified. No entries received after this date, or entries that are incomplete or defaced, will be considered. ESCC accepts no responsibility for entries that are lost, damaged or incorrectly completed.
- 3) The winners will be selected at random from all qualifying entries (see point 1 above). The draw will take place within 28 days of the closing date.
- 4) The prize winner will be notified by email, post or telephone after the closing date. Failure to claim a prize within 14 days may result in disqualification and selection of a new winner. Only one prize per entrant will be awarded.
- 5) The organiser reserves the right to provide a substitute prize of equal or greater value. Prizes are non-transferable and no cash or credit alternatives will be offered.
- 6) The organiser's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- 7) The organiser will process the personal data of all entrants in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and will not disclose the personal data to a third party without the entrant's prior consent. Winners accept that the organiser may disclose their names to the public with their consent.
- 8) The organiser and this competition are governed by English Law.
- 9) The winners may be asked to take part in publicity and the organiser reserves the right to use the names and location of winners and their photographs in any publicity subject to the provision of consent.