

## Moving In

### Moving in to a NorseCare Home

Most people will move into one of our Care Homes following an assessment from the County Council Adult Care Services, but the route you take may vary depending on your financial circumstances. If you want help from the County Council to fund your stay, they will need to be satisfied that going into a care home is the best way to meet your needs.

**If you have funds (capital and savings) are below £23250**, you should be eligible for help from the County Council with the cost of your care. You should ring Norfolk Care Connect on 0344 800 8020 and ask for a social care assessment. This will define your care needs and how they will best be met. You will also have an assessment of your financial situation. This determines how much you will have to pay.

**If you have capital in excess of £23250** you will be expected to pay for the costs of your care yourself. **If, apart from your property, your savings are less than £23,250**, Adult Care Services can help with your care costs for the first twelve weeks. You may be able to enter into a Deferred Payments Agreement until your property is sold.

**If you have savings to fund your own stay** you do not need to have a social care assessment. If you are in this position and are interested in a NorseCare Home, please approach the home direct to request an opportunity to look around. You might want to consider using a **checklist (link)** to help you make a decision. If you are funding your own stay you may be eligible for Attendance Allowance which you can use to help with the costs.

Whichever way you are going to fund your stay, we need to be assured that the home can meet your care needs. The manager, or a senior member of staff at the home, will meet with you and discuss your care needs.

For further information about admission to care homes in Norfolk please visit the Adult Social Care website - see [www.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk).

For more information about our individual care homes we recommend you download a copy of the brochure.

Our leaflet '**Care Homes – Information for older people and their carers'** ([link](#)) answers a lot of the common questions people have before moving in to one of our care homes.

### Moving into a NorseCare Housing with Care Scheme

There is usually a waiting list for our housing with care schemes and in order to go on to this list you need to have an assessment of your current housing needs. You should do this by contacting the District Council where the scheme is located and complete a housing application form. (For information about which District Council to approach, please see the brochure for the scheme you are interested in).

If you move into housing with care you will be issued with a tenancy by the housing provider who owns the scheme. You may be eligible for housing Benefit to help you with the rental costs.

As well as applying to go onto the Housing List you **must** also request an assessment from Adult Social Care Services (see above). They will also arrange for a financial assessment to be done to determine what you have to pay towards your care. You may qualify for a Personal Budget that you can use to fund your care. For more information please ring Norfolk Care Connect Norfolk Care Connect on 0344 800 8020.

When a vacancy comes up in one of the schemes there is usually a meeting between the District Council and the Housing Provider before a decision is made about offering the tenancy. When you are offered a flat the manager of the scheme, or a senior member of staff, will want to see you to discuss your care needs with you to make sure the scheme can meet your needs.

If you are interested in Housing with Care scheme we recommend that you download a copy of the scheme's brochure and contact the scheme direct to arrange a visit.

### **Further questions**

If you need further information about moving into one of our services, please ring us on 01603 894366.