



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

COMMUNITY COMMISSION 14 January 2008

Report of the Director of Corporate and Adult Services

Extra Care Briefing

RECOMMENDATION

The Commission is asked to note the report.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Extra Care housing is sometimes referred to as very sheltered housing. It is a type of housing for older people that aims to enable them to:
- live independently for as long as possible
 - live in appropriate housing
 - access flexible services that are responsive to their needs.
- 1.2 The purpose of Extra Care is to minimise the need for older people to have to move into residential accommodation, by giving us a new way to provide care services to people who are living in their own home rather than living in a home.
- 1.3 Since the 2005 election, the Government has placed a strong emphasis on older peoples' issues. The Governments paper "Our health, our care, our say: a new direction for community services (July 2005)", aims to:
- change the way services for older people are provided in communities and make them as flexible as possible
 - provide a more personal service that is tailored to the specific health or social care needs of individuals
 - give patients and service users more control over the treatment they receive
 - work with health and social care professionals and services to get the most appropriate treatment or care for their needs.

- 1.4 Locally, in 2005 the PCT, the Housing Department and the Social Services Departments (as was) jointly commissioned Peter Fletcher Associates to carry out research and to help us produce a Supported Accommodation Strategy that could help us achieve this vision.
- 1.5 Amongst other things, this Strategy recommended that we should set an initial target for the development of Extra Care of 240 units by 2010 and that we should set further targets for the development of further provision once the first tranche had been delivered.
- 1.6 As a consequence of this, the Council adopted the target of developing 240 units by 2010. As the development of Extra Care requires a co-ordinated approach across a range of Council sections – Housing, Planning and Social Services – and across a range of partners such as Primary Care Trusts and Registered Social Landlords, the Extra Care Project was set up to oversee the work needed.

2. Progress to date

- 2.1 Services provided at the Retail Trust Leylands Estate have been remodelled to follow the Extra Care ethos. Part of the grounds are being disposed of in order to pay for major redevelopments and improvements in the site, to include restaurant and café facilities and covered walkways joining each part of the site to the central hub area. The land sold for development to pay for these works will probably be used for a future Extra Care development that will link into the communal facilities that are going to be provided at by the Retail Trust. 76 units.
- 2.2 In partnership with Housing 21, who have considerable experience of developing Extra Care, we have submitted a successful bid to the Department of Health. This secured £3.8m towards the redevelopment of the Tomlinson Court sheltered housing scheme in preparation for the delivery of Extra Care on that site. We are in the process of applying for planning permission and Housing 21 are planning to hold a high profile community consultation event in the early part of the New Year. Also, we are seeking to co-opt member representation, probably a local Ward representative, onto the Board overseeing the Tomlinson Court development. 38 units.
- 2.3 In partnership with Derby Homes, we are looking at redesigning and refurbishing Rebecca House to make it suitable for Extra Care provision. Money has been earmarked from the Facilitation Fund to help pay for this. However, before we make a final decision to proceed, we are keen to ensure that any works carried out on this site will meet a demand. Derby Homes are, therefore, preparing a show flat and will be holding a series of open days so that interested parties can see what is being proposed and can be consulted with about whether they think the plans are suitable. These open days are planned to take place in January 2008 and members of the Community Commission will be invited. 57 units.
- 2.4 In addition to this, we are looking to develop a bid to the Housing Corporation for capital funding towards the construction of a 90 bed Extra Care provision using Council land that could come for the site of a former residential unit. We are in the process of selecting a preferred partner to work with on this matter. 90 units.

- 2.5 Additional matters, such as the development of models for care provision, a nominations process and a nominations panel, have also been dealt with. We have also looked to help raise the profile and understanding of Extra Care in Derby by holding visioning events about Extra Care and by developing a leaflet about Extra Care in Derby.
- 2.6 As can be seen from the above, we are currently on track to have provided 240 units of Extra Care provision in Derby by 2010.

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Background papers:	Extra Care Project PID Extra Care leaflet for Derby
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

None arising from the report

Legal

None arising from the report

Personnel

None arising from the report

Corporate Themes and Priorities

Helping us all to be healthy, active and independent. Raising the quality of social care for vulnerable and older people by developing extract care accommodation for older people that offers a range of support packages.