

# Housing LIN South West Region meeting 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Housing LIN research and consultancy: Themes from work with policy makers, commissioners and providers



#### http://www.housing.org.uk /resourcelibrary/browse/home-fromhospital-how-housingservices-are-relievingpressure-on-the-nhs/





Home from Hospital: How housing services are relieving pressure on the NHS

- Report considers impact of increased delays in discharging people from hospital and shows how housing providers are working with health commissioners to offer solutions for patients and making savings for the NHS.
- Case studies featured in report demonstrate how housing services are successfully reducing delays in discharging people from hospital and preventing unnecessary hospital admissions



# Themes

- 12 case studies show: Housing providers offer range of services that help people who would otherwise be stuck in hospital to recover more quickly and stay well for longer.
- Benefits for older people but also those at risk of homelessness and people with mental health needs
- Potential for significant efficiencies for NHS tangible examples including reducing excess bed days, 'cost avoidance' and some cashable savings
- Hard work for housing providers to secure NHS funding
- Remain small scale next step is to scale up



 <u>https://www.local.gov.uk/a</u> <u>bout/news/residential-</u> <u>revolution-needed-</u> <u>englands-ageing-</u> <u>population-says-lga</u>





Housing our ageing population: Learning from Councils meeting the housing needs fo our ageing population

- Focus on 7 case studies
- How Birmingham City Council, Central Bedfordshire Council, Essex County Council, Mansfield District Council, Newcastle City Council, North Somerset, Bristol, Bath and North-East Somerset Councils, and Worcestershire County Council are playing significant place-making role in shaping the current and future supply of housing for an ageing population in their areas.



# Themes

- Many Councils remain committed to widening housing choice and opportunity for older citizens
- But, perhaps large and growing gap between Councils
- Government should set out a plan to comprehensively address the housing needs of an ageing population for England, through working with and supporting councils and other stakeholders
- Councils' local plans and strategies set out the full spectrum of housing types and choices across all tenures, 'care ready' and housing with care, including futureproofing mainstream housing



#### Work for local authorities - themes

- Projecting future demand for all types of housing for older people
- A strategic approach beyond extra care housing but quite divergent approaches
- Widening housing delivery partnerships
- Some authorities directly developing older people's housing
- Multiple site appraisals and business cases





### Work for housing providers - themes

- What does 'good' look like in the future?
- Rethinking the customer offer and service delivery model
- Fundamental re/appraisal of all older people's housing assets
- Extra care or 'care ready' mixed approaches
- Housing association market housing offers
- Step change towards use of digital technology





# Housing for people with learning disabilities/complex needs

- Mencap commissioned research 'Specialist Supported Housing'
- Transforming Care Partnership
  programme
- Local authorities:
  - Future need and demand
  - What does 'good' look like
  - Some concerns about capital funding models
- Housing providers
  - Where and what to develop





## The future funding question...

- Local authorities:
  - How to prepare for April 2019
  - Mixed approaches to supported housing development
- Providers:
  - 'Scenario' planning
  - Depends on perceived level of impact
- An announcement soon....





# Getting in touch

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