Sustainability and zero carbon

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About us

Housing 21 is a not-for-profit provider of Extra Care and Retirement Living for older people of modest means.

• Operating in **240 local authority** areas

- Managing around 23,300 properties
- Providing over 48,000 hours of social care each week



Committed to doing no harm

- Adopting Modern Methods of Construction and low carbon specification
- Investing in existing homes and improving energy efficiency
- EPC C (68%) and EPC B (32%) driver was affordable warmth for residents
- Piloting non fossil fuel heating biomass, ASHP,
 GSHP
- Laying the foundations for projects that meet tomorrow's standards today



Patent House and Patent Walk

- The largest net zero category one MMC / modular Retirement Living scheme in England
- The first scheme to meet Housing 21's updated low carbon specification
- The culmination of years of research and investment
- Net zero requirements designed and built in from the start
- Completed June 2023. Fully let at social rents!



Homes for the future

"Our ambition was to create affordable homes with minimal running costs whilst reducing the impact on the

environment using sustainable construction methods"



Homes for the future

Net zero: "Achieving a balance between the carbon emitted into the atmosphere and the carbon removed from it"

The Energy Saving Trust



Achieving success

Effective partnership working:

- Offsite manufactured modular build working in partnership with offsite developer M-AR and Henry Riley as
 Employers Agent and Modular Consultant
- Supported by funding from City of
 Doncaster Council and Homes England
- Winner of the Client of the Year at the
 Offsite awards 2023



The scheme

20 homes for social rent:

- 8 bungalows
- 12 apartments; six one-bedroom and six two-bedroom
- High-performing, efficient technologies throughout
- Air source heat pump water heating
- High insulation values and airtightness
- Mechanical ventilation with heat recovery for well-controlled ventilation
- Photovoltaic (PV) panels fitted



Making a difference

"These bungalows have provided us with everything we need to live a comfortable life, they are close to family

and have all the "mod cons" to lead an affordable

lifestyle. It's great that we can easily contact members of the Housing 21 team for any extra support we might need going forward"

Ethel and Margaret, residents



What's next?

- Working with residents, supporting them to get the best out of the building
- Recording energy use/ monitoring operational carbon to adapt and learn, shaping the direction for future builds



Investing in Homes for Tomorrow

- Investing in existing homes: £36m
 100 percent EPC or above (32 percent EPC B)
- **Remodelling and refurbishment of** existing and acquired schemes: more sustainable than new build
 - Acquired over 1,700 homes over 5 years
 - Improve homes and services for residents
- Property Standards: modern designed kitchens and bathrooms reflecting residents' choices
- Interior design led: Modern communal areas



Making a difference

"We are thrilled with the **quality** and **standard** of the makeover.

It is like living in a posh hotel. The designs are **dementia-**

friendly and comfortable

for a variety of different people's needs."

Residents at Handley Court



Any questions?

