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Shore Green, an innovative extra care housing scheme in Manchester

EXTRA CARE HOUSING SEEN BY MILLIONS OF TV VIEWERS

Irwell Valley Housing Association's extra care housing scheme - a specialist scheme in Manchester for people with dementia – was the focus of a BBC1 The One Show last month.

Residents and relatives told One Show Presenter, Angela Rippon, who is also an ambassador for the Alzheimer's Society, about the benefits of living at Shore Green, an innovative extra care housing scheme designed around dementia patients' needs. The scheme has six one-bedroom flats and four two-bedroom bungalows specifically for dementia sufferers. One of its unique aspects is that the accommodation and support available enables partners and carers to remain together when one or both develops dementia.



A view of the gardens at Shore Green

Cited as a good practice case study on the Housing LIN website, the report concludes that Shore Green efficiently diverts its residents away from expensive nursing home placements. The report also highlights its design, which was picked up in the programme and Professor June Andrews, Director of the Dementia Services Development Centre at the University of Stirling, who applauded the features incorporated into the building that assist people living with dementia such as its open plan curved concept, continuous pathways, distinctive high roof, colour coding and personalisation at the entrance to each flat (more details on housing and dementia on pages 4, 6 and 7).

To view the Shore Green case study, go to: www.housinglin.org.uk/pageFinder.cfm?cid=5144

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POLICY & FUNDING NEWS

Other policy and funding news across housing, health and social care since our last enews includes:

Future of Retirement Housing

The All Party Parliamentary Group on Housing and Care for Older People, Chaired by Lord Best, has opened a new Inquiry into the future of retirement housing and, in particular, to review the progress of social housing and private home builders in meeting the needs of older people following the HAPPI report.

At the opening Inquiry session Lord Best stated, *"If we can produce new retirement apartments that are attractive enough – bright, spacious, easy-to-manage, energy-efficient, fully-accessible, and care-ready – not only will older people's requirements be met but family houses will be released for the next generation. The HAPPI concept has double benefits and our inquiry aims to find out how this whole process can be expanded and accelerated."*

Inquiry Secretary, Jeremy Porteus, added, *"demographic change and rising aspirations in retirement offer a potential growth area for construction if we can provide older people with housing they actually want to live in."*

The first session heard representations from the DCLG, HCA, social housing providers and residents. Further sessions are to be announced. In the meantime, to submit any written evidence to the APPG, email marie.kirk@hanover.org.uk. The Inquiry is expected to report later this year.

An Information Revolution

The long awaited NHS Information Strategy, *The Power of Information: Putting all of us in control of the health and social care information we need*, is a response to the Government's Information Revolution consultation and sets out the critical importance of information and advice to the delivery of high quality health and social care. Commenting on the Strategy and the accompanying case studies, Jeremy Porteus writes *"We are particularly delighted that the work of the Housing LIN has been recognised as a key information portal for health and social care professional communities. We have a proven track record of facilitating integrated working across health, housing and social care to support learning and improvement activities on the ground but our approach is more evolution than revolution!"*

For more details on the new NHS Information Strategy, go to: <http://informationstrategy.dh.gov.uk>
To view the Housing LIN reference, visit: <http://informationstrategy.dh.gov.uk/housing-lin/>

Living well with Long Term Conditions

The Department of Health is working to develop a strategy on long term conditions. The aim is to provide a clear direction and vision of how services can work together to help prevent or delay long term conditions where possible and improve quality of life and independence for people with long term conditions. Find out more about the strategy and how to contribute examples of practice at: <http://longtermconditions.dh.gov.uk>

A new system for care funding: Now is the time to act

An ADASS survey shows that social services are taking £890m out of this year's total spend for adult social care. £688m of planned reductions have been secured through service re-design and efficiency and £77m provided through increased charges. A further £113 million has been saved by reducing services including cuts in housing related support. A full summary of the survey is available at: www.adass.org.uk

SURVEY RESULTS AND WEBSITE IMPROVEMENTS

Many thanks to the hundreds of responses that we received to our recent survey. Two respondents have won £50 of Amazon vouchers. We are now analysing your responses but, at first glance, are delighted to note that there is an overwhelming satisfaction with the Housing LIN, our delivery style and range of resources.

The observant amongst you will note that we have also made some immediate improvements to our website. These include:

- new regional noticeboards so that you can keep in touch with practice developments and networking opportunities in your area
- developing our 'Learning Lab' brand as part of our online discussion fora and regional networking activities, and
- a new Frequently Asked Questions section that identifies the key resources on our website that can help answer some of your learning needs. www.housinglin.org.uk/FAQ

We trust that you find these additions beneficial to the way you engage with us.



EXTRA CARE COMES UP TRUMPS

A 41-unit scheme managed by the ExtraCare Charitable Trust in Hednesford, Staffordshire, has scooped a national award sponsored by the Housing LIN.

School Court took the plaudits for best extra care housing scheme at the Elderly Accommodation Counsel's annual retirement housing awards in London last month.

Uniquely, residents play a major role in the EAC awards by taking part in an innovative game of cards designed to stimulate discussions and assess their satisfaction with the quality of their accommodation and services.

Jeremy Porteus, who judged the extra care award, said: "These awards recognise well-designed accommodation backed by high quality care and support. There was a particularly high participation rate from School Court and that shows that residents recognise and appreciate high standards of design and support in their homes and neighbourhoods."

Information on School Court can be found on its website at <http://tinyurl.com/7nvzy8u>. For other EAC category award winners go to: www.housingcare.org



Willowfields, Coseley



Diane Elshaktori, regional manager at ECCT, accepting an award for School Court

These include Willowfields, the DH funded extra care housing scheme in Coseley, Dudley managed by Midland Heart. More info at: www.housinglin.org.uk/Topics/ECHScheme/search/Overview/?cid=8316

NEW DH FUNDED EXTRA CARE SCHEME

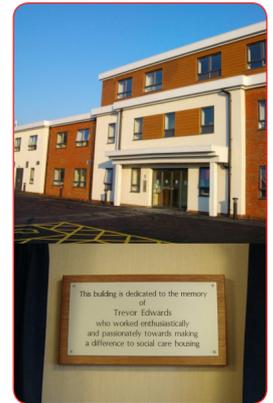
The official opening of the following DH funded scheme took place last month

The Elms, Aylesbury

The official opening of this Department of Health funded scheme in Buckinghamshire took place last month. This 28 unit, eco-friendly and

energy-efficient, extra care housing scheme is a partnership project between Buckinghamshire County Council, Housing Solutions, and Hightown Praetorian Churches Housing Association. It is the first scheme of its kind in the county and at the unveiling of the plaque, special recognition was also given to the late Trevor Edwards - a dear Housing LIN Associate - in memory of his tireless efforts in bringing the scheme to fruition. For details see:

www.housinglin.org.uk/Topics/ECHScheme/search/Overview/?cid=8333

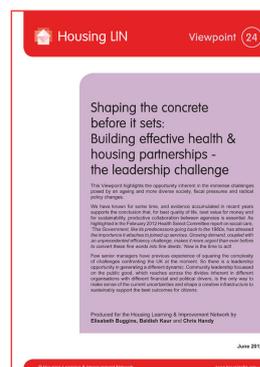


Plaque in dedication to Trevor Edwards at The Elms, Aylesbury

NEW HOUSING LIN PUBLICATIONS

Keeping you informed on latest policy and practice developments, we are pleased to bring you three new Viewpoints from the Housing LIN. They are all essential reading!

Shaping the concrete before it sets: building effective health and housing partnerships – the leadership challenge



This viewpoint by Elisabeth Buggins, Baldish Kaur and Chris Handy highlights the opportunity inherent in the immense challenges posed by an ageing and more diverse society, fiscal pressures and radical policy changes. It explores these issues and offers some

key observations for policy makers as well as the community leadership that health and housing boards and senior executives must display if we are to tackle the growing health inequalities gap. This widening gap shows that, despite the public investment of recent years, the fragmented nature of our support to those families in the most difficult circumstances is failing to really address their needs. Have you got what it takes to shape the concrete in your local health and social care economy before it sets? Read at:

www.housinglin.org.uk/pageFinder.cfm?cid=8524



Breaking new ground: the quest for dementia friendly communities

This Viewpoint by Lynne Mitchell at the University of Warwick examines current policy and practice in relation to delivering housing and neighbourhoods for people with dementia and draws on latest research that considers the role design for dementia can play in achieving the quest for dementia friendly communities.

It offers useful checklists on designing dementia friendly communities and, importantly, seeks to provide a catalyst for developing a robust evidence base in the housing with care field thereby ensuring that Housing LIN members are fully engaged when planning, designing and delivering housing that older people want and can break new ground locally. More at:

www.housinglin.org.uk/pageFinder.cfm?cid=8525

A new lease for life: partnership opportunities for increasing capacity in extra care housing

This new Viewpoint by Ian Laight considers the scope for partnerships between organisations of differing types for the delivery and operation of extra care housing schemes and related forms of specialist housing with care for older people. It outlines the opportunities such partnerships can provide for capacity building and extending the range of specialist housing for older people, what benefits these partnerships can offer the participants and key considerations when forming partnerships for extra care housing projects. It is essential reading for anyone involved in identifying new ways in which to develop in the current economic market and offer a new lease of life for the sector. Read at:

www.housinglin.org.uk/pageFinder.cfm?cid=8526

Sample analysis of the care hours ratio distribution in ECH – initial results

Following a call for information by Bristol City Council earlier this year, 80 responses were received to help understand how care hours are commissioned across a number of commissioned ECH schemes in England. This briefing provides an overview of the results and may be helpful in assessing what ratio works best in your locality. Find at:

www.housinglin.org.uk/pageFinder.cfm?cid=8527

OTHER USEFUL RESOURCES

HOUSING FOR OLDER PEOPLE

There are a wealth of new reports relating to housing for older people. They include:

Older people's housing: choice, quality of life and under-occupation

The JRF has published findings from a study by the New Policy Institute (see next item below) which looked at where the 7.3 million older households live in England, patterns of under-occupation, and the housing choices on offer should older people decide to move.

Over three-quarters of older households are owner-occupiers, and at least in theory, the majority will have a choice about moving or not, and if so, where. As the study argues, staying put can be the right choice just as well as moving. However, the current offer of general and specialist housing for those who do decide to move is limited in volume, tenure options and design. So why is there not a wider choice of housing for older people, both mainstream and specialist? For more, go to: www.jrf.org.uk/publications/older-peoples-housing-choice

Market Assessments of Housing Options for Older People

This comprehensive report by the New Policy Institute for Shelter and the JRF examines 3 key areas that influence housing options for older people. These are choice, availability and affordability; quality of life; and market impacts. With useful reference to Housing LIN materials, including the SHOP Resource Pack, the NPI report is a valuable contribution to assessing the market for older people's housing. Read at: www.npi.org.uk/files/New%20Policy%20Institute/Market%20Assessment%20of%20Housing%20Options%20for%20Older%20People.pdf

Why does the outdoors environment matter?

These new research findings from I'DGO looks into how the design of gardens, streets, neighbourhoods and open spaces can make a difference to older people's wellbeing and quality of life. To read, go to: www.idgo.ac.uk/pdf/Intro-leaflet-2012-FINAL-MC.pdf





Living well in retirement

This publication, along with a range of resources, research and policy papers, sets out an investment and delivery framework to enable low income older home-owners to repair, improve and adapt their homes. The framework, developed by HACT's Fit for Living Network establishes the rationale for taking action through local partnerships that address the needs of low income home-owners. It identifies the roles of a range of agencies that need to be involved in local Home Improvement Partnerships, develops the concept of blended finance and sets out a call for action to Government, national and local organisations to drive improvements that support living well at home in retirement. To find out more, go to:

www.hact.org.uk/fit-living-reports



A new orbit for involving vulnerable older people

Orbit Charitable Trust have published research on what housing associations and organisations for older people can do together to support the most vulnerable older people with their housing and care needs. Written by Moyra Riseborough, Adrian Jones and Steve Onger, this and an accompanying practical resource pack place an emphasis on how organisations display social responsibility and co-produce with and not for older people in preparing for a better later life. Available at:

<http://orbit-trust.org.uk/app/download/5785778453/Phase+two+-+the+outcomes+%28FINAL%29.pdf>

Improving Housing with Care Choices for Older People

The PSSRU have published an executive summary of their extra care housing evaluation report for the DH. This can be found at:

www.pssru.ac.uk/archive/pdf/ech-summary-v2.pdf

Home adaptations in brief

With an increasingly ageing population, this NHF briefing sets out the legal framework and offers useful information and examples specifically for housing associations on the fitting, funding and maintenance of adaptations. View at:

www.housing.org.uk/publications/find_a_publication/care_and_support/adaptations_briefing.aspx

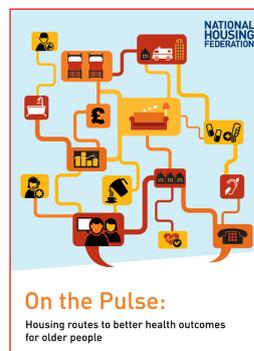
HEALTH & CARE

This section covers a number of useful new papers on making links with health and social care. These include:

On the Pulse: Housing is critical to better health and social care for older people

This new report from the National Housing Federation, supported by the Housing LIN, highlights the critical role which housing providers play in improving health and social care outcomes for older people. It follows the NHF's earlier report, *Breaking the Mould*, about re-visioning and broadening the housing options available to people in later life.

On the Pulse explores how housing associations can work with health and social care



commissioners to enable older people to manage changes in their health, to maximise independence and reduce the need for more costly care and support. It features analysis and six innovative case studies spanning support for patients with dementia, telecare, home from hospital services, short-term

intermediate housing and end of life care.

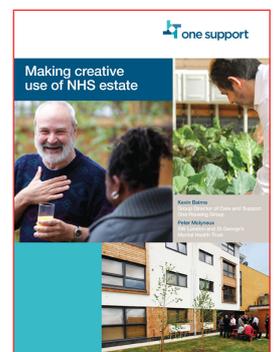
The report is designed to help housing providers to engage with commissioners and other local partners about a range of housing solutions which the sector can offer older tenants to enable them to live well at home. For more, go to:

www.housing.org.uk/careandsupport

Making creative use of NHS Estate

With the NHS looking to make £20billion savings, this paper from One Housing Group explores ways in which creative use can be made of NHS estate to provide housing that promotes greater independence for older people and vulnerable adults within a context of delivering better health outcomes, and releases money back to the NHS to fund services. More at:

www.housinglin.org.uk/pageFinder.cfm?cid=8523





DH NHS estate land disposal

Figures published by the DH show that 47% of NHS Trusts declared potentially at least one parcel of surplus or potentially surplus land for development. NHS organisations have been instructed to sell off surplus land as part of a drive to build more homes. The Housing LIN has commissioned ExtraCare Solutions to prepare a briefing that seeks to come up with estates solutions that can create integrated communities. To view the DH reports, go to: www.dh.gov.uk/health/2012/05/public-sector-land

In addition, the government have published a major report on accelerating the release of public sector land. It is estimated that the release of health land alone could have the capacity to develop over 16,000 new homes. For details, go to: www.communities.gov.uk/publications/housing/publiclandprogressreport

Under One Roof

This report by Demos and supported by Home Housing Group looks at how social housing providers can deliver more holistic support by integrating their general needs services with wider care and support offer. It argues that it could expand the early intervention and preventative support for their tenants, whether they have an existing care need or are at risk of developing one. For further details, go to: www.demos.co.uk/projects/underoneroof

What we know about End of Life Care

This report published by the National End of Life Care Intelligence Network highlights areas where improvements have been made as well as where further action is needed to improve health and social care for people who are dying. For more, go to:

www.housinglin.org.uk/pageFinder.cfm?cid=8472

With regard to extra care housing and end of life care, we will shortly be jointly publishing a new resource pack with the National programme, written by ILC-UK. Keep track on the Housing LIN website.



HOUSING & DEMENTIA

Hot off the Prime Minister's Dementia Challenge, a number of new resources make the link with housing and the built environment. They include:

Home Truths

This important new report from The Alzheimer's Society adds significantly to our understanding of housing and our environment for people with dementia. In particular, it provides a broad overview of the key issues relating to people with dementia's experiences of housing. The report summarises existing evidence and presents new evidence from people with dementia and their carers. It makes recommendations for those working in the housing and social care sectors around closer integration, ensuring people with dementia get the information and advice they need and supporting people with dementia to be able to live in the homes of their choice. For more, go to: www.alzheimers.org.uk/hometruths

Dementia Friendly Communities

Innovations in Dementia has been working with Hampshire and Sheffield to support their work in creating dementia friendly communities. As part of the work in Hampshire, they have developed a toolkit designed to support work at a local level. The toolkit gives guidelines for engaging people with dementia and carers, briefing notes for businesses covering various aspects, a checklist for dementia-friendly environments, and a briefing note on making high streets "memory aware". The toolkit can be downloaded as pdf files at: www.innovationsindementia.org.uk/projects_communities.htm

Virtual care home

This virtual tour from the University of Stirling is really useful. It highlights the dementia-friendly features that would prevent anyone with dementia from being avoidably disabled. The text explains how each feature does this. View at: <http://dementia.stir.ac.uk/virtualhome>

Living Well with Dementia

The Design Council, in partnership with the Department of Health, have announced the successful designers and experts who were set the task to develop new ideas to help improve the lives of those affected by dementia. The resulting prototypes will be further tested and developed with commercial partners with the aim of making some



or all of them available on a large scale as soon as possible. The designs include:

- **Buddiband** – a discrete wristband which uses cutting edge technology to keep carers informed of the welfare of the wearer, and respond if needed
- **Dementia Dog** – a new approach that trains specially-selected assistance dogs to help and protect the wellbeing of people with dementia
- **Grouple** – an online network which helps families plan and share care, engaging a wider support circle.
- **Trading Times** – a website to help carers find flexible employment
- **A fragrance release system designed to stimulate appetite**

For more: www.designcouncil.org.uk/our-work/challenges/Health/Living-well-with-Dementia1/

TELECARE UPDATE

This section highlights relevant Telecare and Telehealth items that may be of interest

Using technology and innovation to develop new approaches to health, wellbeing and quality of life

The *dallas* programme has tasked four consortia with running this huge scale innovation programme and testing it with 170,000 older people throughout the UK. The four projects selected are:

i-Focus – a nationwide programme offering people a range of products and services to help them feel more comfortable in their homes.

Year Zero – an online application that empowers individuals to actively manage their health information.

The Feelgood Factory - encourages people living in Liverpool to plan for their future in order to better manage their health and social care needs.

Living It Up - focuses on developing innovative solutions that will enable people in communities across Scotland to live happy, healthy and safe lives, enabling choice and better control over their health and wellbeing.

For further information, visit:

www.innovateuk.org and www.dallas.net

Telecare LIN – have we got even more news for you!

The May newsletter and an accompanying supplement on the Health and Social Care Act is now available. Packed with everything you need to know about recent policy, practice and product development, this is the most informative newsletter available to the sector. Not to be missed if you are interested in the application of telecare and telehealth and how it can assist you in improving your services. To view, go to: www.telecarelin.org.uk/TelecareResources/TelecareLINAdvice/TelcareLINNewsletters/?parent=3685&child=8083

RESEARCH UPDATE / CALL FOR INFORMATION

Results and members' enquiries on the following:

Setting the Community Infrastructure Levy – info request

The Housing LIN in conjunction with Retirement Housing Group is preparing a briefing on the impact of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) on provision of retirement housing. If you have information on how or if viability of specialist older persons housing has been taken into account in setting the CIL in your area, please contact: kathleen.dunmore@three-dragons.co.uk

The Impact of S106 Planning Obligations on Growth – info request

In addition, Three Dragons with Reading University is undertaking a study for DCLG of the Impact of S106 Planning Obligations on Growth. If you have examples of “stalled older persons housing schemes” where wider S106 obligations have led to the scheme not being developed or have required renegotiation of the site, please contact: kathleen.dunmore@three-dragons.co.uk

Right to Manage in specialist retirement schemes – info request

Imogen Blood has been commissioned by the Housing LIN to write a Viewpoint on the take-up and implications of Right to Manage for leaseholders in specialist retirement housing. If you have any examples of the experiences of and benefits for older leaseholders in acquiring Right to Manage in such schemes, please contact her at: imogen@imogenblood.co.uk



Self-managed sheltered housing provision – info request

The Housing LIN has commissioned Ridgeway Associates to produce a viewpoint piece on the concept of older tenants / residents self-managing sheltered / retirement housing provision. Key points that will be considered are:

- Whether this would result in more sustainable housing provision because residents have a greater say in the management of housing related services
- The extent to which residents, given the emphasis on increased personalisation, could work together in purchasing services, as self-funders or by using their personal budgets.

To support the development of this viewpoint we are seeking good practice examples from members who have direct experience in this area or are in the process of engaging with residents to adopt the self-management route. This background is sought from both social landlords and managers of leasehold retirement provision. Please email these to Althea Howarth, Ridgeway Associates, at althea@ridgeway-associates.com

REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

This section contains updates from our regional leads. For further information of what's happening in your region, go to the Housing LIN regional pages on our website. We have also developed an online regional 'noticeboard' so that you can keep us better updated on innovative developments on housing with care and other activities in your region. Register to receive e-alerts if you haven't already done so.

North West

Libby Spencer and Jean Bray report that New Charter Homes have opened a new extra care scheme in Tameside. Designed by Pozzoni, the 31 unit scheme is one of four schemes in Tameside.

And in Burnley, Sarah Hanson reports that the recent Healthy Housing Conference with NHS East Lancashire and Lancashire Housing Partnership was a great success. Copies of the ppts are now available at:

www.housinglin.org.uk/Events/ArchivedEvents/ArchivedHousingEventDetail/?eventID=737

North East

Denise Gillie reports about a new project led by Northern Architecture on flexible design for extended living. This is looking at a variety of models of co-living for older people within the context of retrofitting existing properties rather than new build. Details can be found at:

www.northernarchitecture.com/northern-architecture/news/2012/02/28/335-flex-research-project-flexible-dwellings-for-extended-living.html

She also highlights that Sunderland Council, in partnership with Housing 21 and Keepmoat, have commenced the development of the city's largest mixed tenure extra care housing scheme as part of an ambitious programme that will see which will provide 175 units, including 17 for people with dementia.

And finally, the North East Councils have published their Charter for changing ageing. This can be found at: www.northeastcouncils.gov.uk/download_documents_pdf.cfm?file=asset20120301102802.pdf

London

Margaret Edwards reports that Hanover Housing Association have been selected to develop an extra care scheme in Bromley, designed by PRP Architects, with 60 affordable units and community facilities.

Also, Gateway HA have set up an independent commission into the needs of older people living in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. They will be taking a strategic approach into planning future service development for current and future consumers. It will also help them to develop new service models which have longevity and a degree of "future proofing", able to meet the needs not just of the existing older population but those of later generations too. For more details, email: jackie.gallagher@altairltd.co.uk

Eastern

Sue Garwood reports that Bedford Borough Council has published their draft Health and Wellbeing Strategy, and the NHF has published a response. The consultation is now closed but housing providers in other council areas may wish to get a flavour to help inform your own thinking in preparation for publication of these strategies in your areas.

www.bedford.gov.uk/council_and_democracy/consultations/health_wellbeing_strategy.aspx

www.housing.org.uk/our_regions/east_of_england_region/east_of_england_news/federation_responds_to_bedford.aspx



East Midlands

Debbie Waldron reports on the opening of a supported housing scheme for homeless people in Northampton for Midland Heart. Comprising 48 units of accommodation, it has a day centre and offers a range of on-site services.

In addition, Waterloo HA have opened a new supported housing scheme for people with learning disabilities in Boultham Park, Lincoln.

West Midlands

Anne Bailey reports on the opening of Chestnut Grange, a 67 extra care housing facility with one and two bed apartments in Burton-on-Trent for Trent & Dove Housing.



*Chestnut Grange,
Burton-on-Trent*

Also in Staffordshire, the green light has been given to Housing Plus and South Staffordshire HA to redevelop a former residential care site in Penkridge into 82 new extra care housing apartments.

She also reports on a new partnership between Accord, Age UK and Walsall Council to provide support for 3,000 people with dementia building on Accord's café service in Sandwell and Dudley. And in Telford, discussions are taking place with Sanctuary Housing Association about a new extra care scheme.

And finally, in Birmingham, the city council has approved plans to build a retirement village and special dementia facility by 2015 on the former Bourneville College site.

South West

Pat Palmer reports that Anchor are planning a £21million development of a new retirement village in Moreton-in-Marsh, Gloucestershire, which will include 54 extra care bungalows, cottages and apartments, plus café, brasserie and shop. Also in Gloucestershire, Housing 21 have opened a new 60 unit, extra care scheme in Cirencester.

In Bristol, Housing 21 are looking to develop another scheme. Bluebell Gardens will have 61 mixed tenure apartments and 24hr tailored care and support.

And finally, Lantern Court, McCarthy & Stone's new 42 unit 'Later Life' retirement housing scheme in Ilfracombe, Devon, hits new heights with a HAPPI style flythrough on YouTube at:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=ARzX9K90HqY

South East

Sue Terry reports the opening of two new extra care schemes in the region. They are Watling Court, a 70 unit Abbeyfield scheme, in Gravesham and Beeches Manor, a 26 unit scheme for people with dementia and a learning disability, in Wokingham by Housing 21.

In addition, Saxon Weald's new Passivhaus development, Standing Court in Horsham, hits all the marks for eco build. It has triple insulation, heat recovery systems and photovoltaic and solar panels. The scheme includes 5 units for people with a learning disability.



Standing Court, Horsham

And finally, Anchor have announced the development of two new retirement villages in Hampshire in Yateley and Bishopstoke are on the drawing board. These £34million and £40million schemes are being developed with English Care Village Partnerships, specialists in the design, delivery and operation of care villages with a combined total of over 250 new units of assisted living.

Yorkshire & Humber

Paula Broadbent reports that the Housing LIN is writing up a case study on the approach adopted by North Yorkshire County Council to attract £43million of investment for extra care housing to develop 845 units by 2015.

In addition, the Home for Life guide launched at the recent health and housing conference in Calderdale, has now been posted on the regional noticeboard.

REGIONAL MEETINGS

This section focuses on presentations given at recent regional meetings, conferences and upcoming events.

Forthcoming regional meetings

Details of those confirmed for your area are listed below. To receive an automatic invite, register your interest by region at:

www.housinglin.org.uk/userAccount/register

North West HLIN, 20th June, Ormskirk (fully booked)

London HLIN, 19th July, Richmond Upon Thames

North East HLIN, 24th July, North Shields

Registrations for our regional meetings are open to members of the Housing LIN at:

www.housinglin.org.uk/Events



Euro zone

Jeremy Porteus spoke on innovations in housing with care in the UK at the Future Home conference, Vivre et Vieillir Ensemble (VVE), in Liège, Belgium. The theme of the event tied in with the cities' bid for Expo 2017 status. Moreover, following this event, the Housing LIN has teamed up with a group of European colleagues to seek EU funding to develop an assisted living learning platform. Jean-Philippe Mournier, President of VVE states, "Our proposal seeks to allow to share and make progress together quickly on addressing our common issues facing the housing care needs of an ageing population". Watch this space!



Jeremy Porteus at the Future Home conference in Liège

And finally, following the conference in Liège, we are pleased to publish a case study of Age-friendly Lyon, France, by Pierre-Marie Chapon for the Housing LIN and look forward to joint working with the age-friendly network he coordinates in France. To view, go to:
www.housinglin.org.uk/pageFinder.cfm?cid=8528

PROFILE YOUR WORK

If you have promotional material, articles or features you would like us to consider for future editions of *Housing with Care Matters*, please send information to:

info@housinglin.org.uk

We welcome your contributions.

OTHER EVENTS

This section lists major events supported by the Housing LIN that will be of interest to our network members

NHC The ageing population conference on 27 June, York

www.northern-consortium.org.uk/Page/Events/Theageingpopulation.aspx

NHF annual care and support conference 2-3 July, Coventry

www.housing.org.uk/events/find_an_event/care_and_support/hcs0712.aspx

British Society of Gerontology annual conference 11-13 July, University of Keele

www.keele-conferencemanagement.com/keele/frontend/reg/thome.csp?pageID=13016&eventID=47&eventID=47

CIH Older People's housing, care and support conference on 1-2 August, Stratford upon Avon

www.cih.org/resources/PDF/Event%20pdfs/Older%20People's%20-%20Programme.pdf

ABOUT THE HOUSING LIN

Now with over 46,000 registered subscribers, the Housing LIN is the leading 'learning lab' for a growing network of housing, health and social care professionals in England involved in planning, commissioning, designing, funding, building and managing housing, care and support services for older people and vulnerable adults.

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