

Managing and building homes

# Strengthening Sector Leadership

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# Thirteen's approach to Talent Management

Strategic plan

**Business change** 

**Talent Framework** 

**Ownership & Futureproofing** 

# The Talent Framework

#### Talent

We'll ensure we all have a clear understanding of what talent means to us at Thirteen and how you can meet your potential and aspirations.

We'll bring this to life as a clear cycle that we'll regularly review to ensure we meet our strategic priorities.

#### Performance

You'll have discussions with your manager as part of performance conversations that consider your potential and career ambitions.

> These will help develop talent pools to create the Team Thirteen of the future.

#### Development

You'll have opportunities to develop so you can be your best at work or progress in line with your development and career aspirations.

## Four Stage Process

#### Succession

We'll know our critical and specialist roles and have a clear understanding of who has the aspirations and abilities to move into them in future.

Talent forums will make sure the people in these pools get the right support and preparation for the future.



# We linked performance review outcomes to our talent categories

#### GROWTH

Scores 4s in both values & performance

#### CORE

Scores 3 in either values & performance

#### UNDISCOVERED

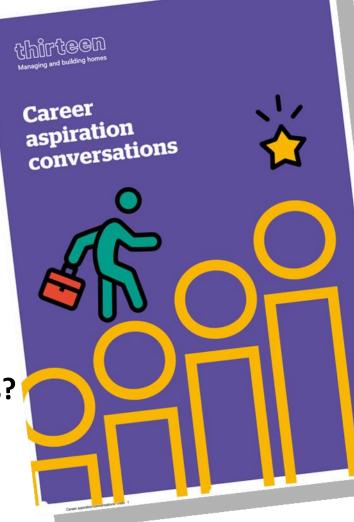
Scores 1 or 2 in both values & performance



## **Career aspiration conversations**

- Our new performance review process gives everyone the opportunity to discuss their **current** career aspirations.
- This allows us sight of 'talent' throughout the business and effectively match opportunities as and when they become available.

So how do we better understand the future needs of the business?





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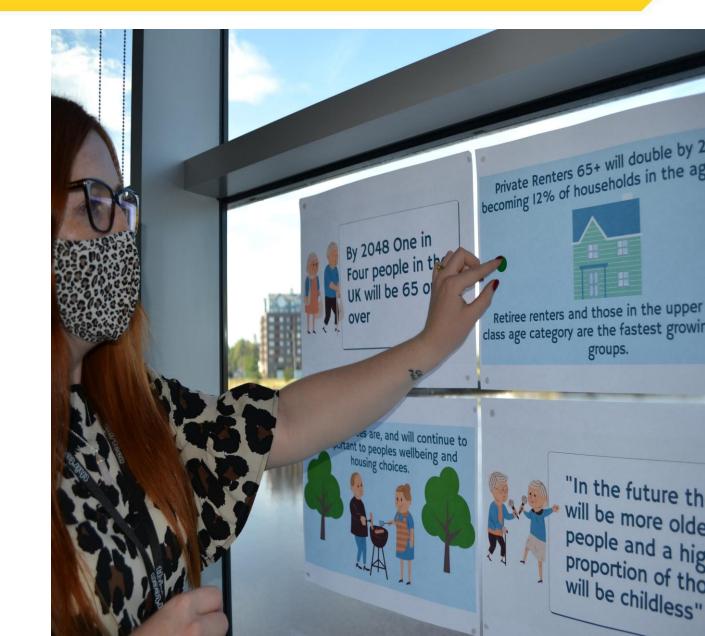
## **Living Well Project**

- Established early 2021 with the aim of understanding how we can help our customers to live well, for longer
- Cross-cutting project that has required lots of research to help us properly understand the context, nationally and locally
- Research included in-depth conversations with our support staff, colleagues in NHS and social care and customers living in our supported schemes
- Discovery phase concluded with over 100 colleagues and customers attending an 'exhibition' of the work and helping us to prioritise the next steps











#### What the discovery phase told us

- **It's not about age**. We should be designing approaches around vulnerability, not age.
- Some people plan well for their older age and some don't want to or aren't able to think about it at all. Like with everything, people need choice.
- The evidence suggests we should be exploring more intergenerational and multi-generational housing, close to or in town centres. Big drivers for people moving into more appropriate accommodation when their needs change are proximity to shops and activity
- The research indicated that 'what' people wanted to move into (for instance, a two bedroomed bungalow) was less important than 'where' the property was located. People living in their own homes did not want to move from their community, even if that meant staying in a property that isn't appropriate for them.
- We need to do more to support tenants to engage in activity which is meaningful to them
- We need to do more about prevention and we need to better understand how we could support people living with **dementia**.
- Underpinning all of this was learning related to the need for **better data** about our tenants that would enable us to provide advice and support when their lives change, as well as exploring **how tech plays a part** in solving some of the problems we identified.



## **Next Steps**

The learning identified fourteen themed work strands including:

- Using Internet of Things technology to better support our customers
- Better advice for customers, families and carers on housing options
- Intergenerational and multi-generational housing
- Designing meaningful activities for customers to engage in
- Reviewing how we can offer town centre accommodation
- Removing age as a qualifying criteria in our schemes and devising a new assessment model that focuses on ability

We're now prioritising these strands and making decisions about what to progress





#### What does this mean for sector leadership?

- Care and Support is a complex business! Leaders need skills and ability to navigate a range of partners, stakeholders, commissioners and funding streams.
- Co-designing with customers is key to getting innovative solutions that work
- Technology is going to be at the forefront of gathering better information that helps our customers and automates certain tasks to free up time to provide better in person support
- Data is key we need better means to collect data, analyse it and ensure it can inform future direction
- Continued passion, belief and care for our customers!





# **Thank You**