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Joint Conference

**Housing for Older
People - Problem or
Solution?**

24th November 2014

**The Studio, 7, Cannon Street,
Birmingham B2 5EP**

The wrong housing in the wrong place results in higher health and social care costs, poorer quality of life, increased pressure on family carers and inefficient use of the housing stock. Is there an adequate supply of the right kind of housing in the right place to enable older people to maximise their independence and improve the functioning of the housing market? If not, what action is required to ensure that housing provision meets the needs of older people and how will this impact on the wider economy?

The conference will explore how the right housing solutions for older people can contribute to resolving issues of concern to wider society.

The event brings together older people and professionals, with an interest in health, housing and social care, to discuss housing provision in the rented and owner occupied sectors, effective solutions for those wishing to 'stay put' or 'move on' and the potential impact on health and social care services and the housing market as a whole.



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PROGRAMME

TIME	SPEAKER AND TOPIC
9.30	Coffee & registration
10.00	Welcome & Introduction to the day <i>Jeremy Porteus, Director, Housing LIN and Conference Chair</i>
10.15	Why Housing for Older People Matters <i>Tony Watts, Chair, South West Forum on Ageing</i>
10.40	Table discussion
11.00	Housing Options for Owner Occupiers <i>Angela Morrison, Director, Quattro Design Architects</i>
11.25	Table discussion
11.45	Housing with Care & Support <i>Ron Sims, Assistant Director of Housing, Dudley MBC</i>
12.10	Table discussion
12.30	Panel discussion Panel members: <i>Tony Watts, Angela Morrison & Ron Sims</i>
13.00	LUNCH & NETWORKING
13.45	Staying Put <i>Sue Adams, Chief Executive, Care and Repair England</i>
14.10	Table discussion
14.30	Housing Information and Advice <i>John Galvin, Chief Executive, Elderly Accommodation Counsel</i>
14.55	Table discussion
15.15	Panel discussion Panel members: <i>Sue Adams, John Galvin, Andrew Latto (Deputy Director, Work, Welfare & Wellbeing in Later Life, Department of Work & Pensions) & Dr Valerie Little (recently retired Director of Public Health, Dudley MBC)</i>
15.45	Sum up & close

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