Sustainability: The Climate for Sheltered Housing in the Future

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Challenges?

- The rise of Extra Care

- Older stock that doesn't necessarily meet modern day requirements e.g. wider doorways, step free accommodation, mobility scooter storage

- The erosion of funding has seen the removal of fulltime wardens, Telecare

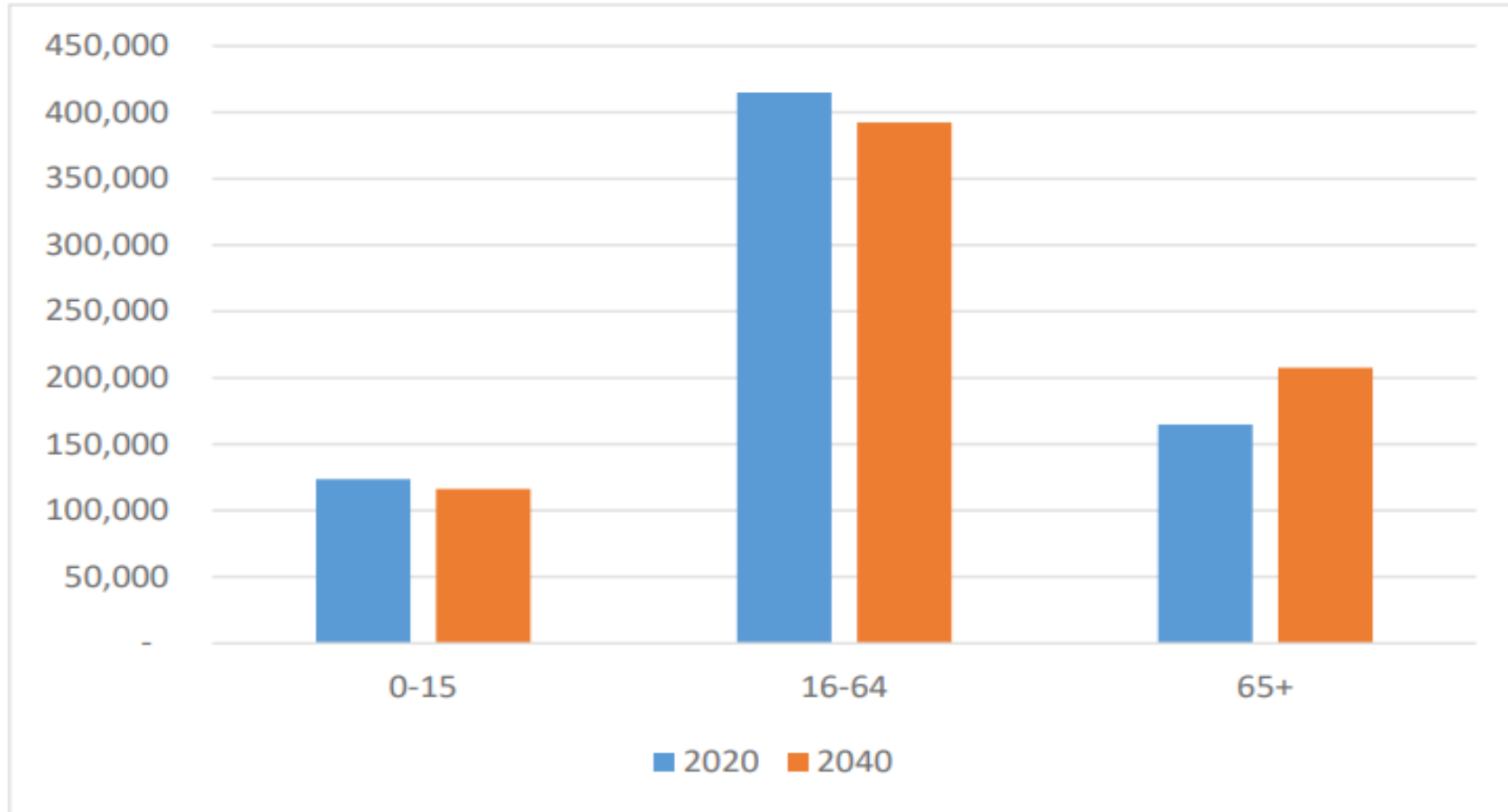- Rise in complex mental health issues risks destabilizing scheme life

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Table 30: Estimated number of people aged over 65 in 2020 and projected number in 2040

Local council	2020 number	2020 percent	2040 number	2040 percent	Change number	Change percent
Anglesey	18,650	26.5%	22,500	32.4%	3,850	17.2%
Gwynedd	28,550	22.8%	34,300	26.1%	5,700	16.7%
Conwy	32,950	27.9%	43,500	35.4%	10,550	24.3%
Denbighshire	23,500	24.3%	30,400	30.9%	6,900	22.6%
Flintshire	33,300	21.2%	42,400	26.3%	9,150	21.5%
Wrexham	27,750	20.4%	34,500	26.0%	6,750	19.6%
North Wales	164,700	23.4%	207,600	29.0%	42,900	20.7%
Wales	668,600	21.1%	850,750	25.9%	182,150	21.4%

Source: Mid-year 2020 population estimates, Office for National Statistics; and 2018-based population projections, Welsh Government

Chart 8: Population change by age group for North Wales 2020-2040

Source: Mid-year population estimates, Office for National Statistics; and 2018-based population projections, Welsh Government

The Future?

- Supported Housing needs to find it's place again. What is the offer & how do we keep it affordable?

- Create demand – 'Healthy Homes'
  - Technology Enhanced Living Spaces. e.g thermal wallpaper, Telehealth
  - Caters for resident needs without expensive service charges. e.g Well-Fed
  - Mixed age communities

- Future Proof – adequate scooter storage, universal design and flexible layouts.

- Lobby – new funding streams

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