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**UPDATE: DH ECH bidding round 2008-2010**

The Department of Health has confirmed funding of £80m over 2 years (2008-10) for the Extra Care Housing Fund, which aims to encourage Local Authorities in England to provide greater housing choice to older people and other people with disabilities or long term conditions who may have support and / or care needs.

Local Authorities, with their partners, will now bid for a slice of the funding, which represents a 25% increase on the allocation from the previous round and brings to nearly £230m the total made available since the Fund's launch in 2004.

Further information is available from [www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing](http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing) . Applications close at midnight on 12 May 2008.

**NEWS: Very Sheltered Housing in Suffolk - A Design and Management Guide published by Suffolk County Council & Housing LIN, April 2008**

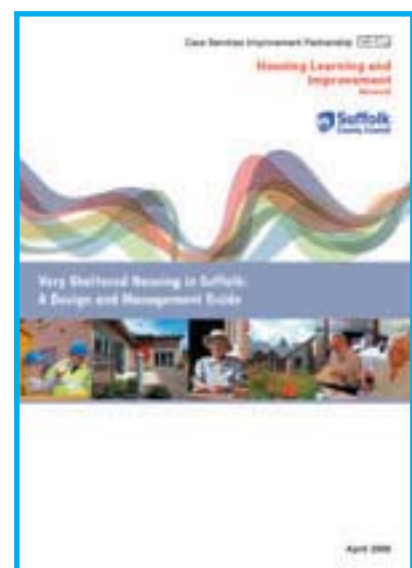
This latest publication from the Housing LIN offers guidance on Very Sheltered Housing (VSH) which will be helpful to other agencies developing or managing Extra Care Housing.

There are 'bolt-ons' to this main Guide, specifically on Extra Care Housing. Extra Care in Suffolk's context is a specialist service within a VSH scheme that is geared to the needs of:

- Older People with Dementia
- Extra Care Housing for Older People With Functional Mental Ill-health
- Leasehold Extra Care (draft)
- Supported Housing for Younger People With Dementia.

The Suffolk VSH policies can be reviewed at <http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/CareAndHealth/Accommodation/VeryShelteredHousing.htm>

The VSH Suffolk guide is available on our website [www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing](http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing) under Design or under Management in the A-Z Index



## ***POLICY NEWS***

### **Investing for lifetimes - Strategy for Housing in an Ageing Society**

This strategy was launched by the Housing Corporation earlier this month. It builds on their previous "Housing for Older People" strategy and supports the recent *Lifetime Homes, Lifetime Neighbourhoods: A National Strategy for Housing in an Ageing Society* published by CLG.

The Strategy recognises that the majority of older people in social housing live in general needs housing and that associations should be responding to the needs of current and future residents as they age. It has a commitment to invest in homes that meet the needs of an ageing society, through increases in homes built to Lifetime Homes Standard and also specialist homes where appropriate.

[http://www.housingcorp.gov.uk/upload/pdf/Investing\\_for\\_lifetimes\\_20080402124908.pdf](http://www.housingcorp.gov.uk/upload/pdf/Investing_for_lifetimes_20080402124908.pdf)



### **Independent Living Strategy – delivering on choice and control for disabled people, Office for Disability Issues**



In 2006 an Independent Living Review was set up to make progress on the Government's commitment that all disabled people, (including older disabled people), should have the same choice, freedom, dignity and control over their lives as non-disabled people.

The Independent Living Strategy, published last

month, sets out the Government's policy commitments, identifying what difference these policies are intended to make, and how this will be measured and monitored.

<http://www.officefordisability.gov.uk/working/independentlivingstrategy.asp>

Housing has a key role to play and is one of the key commitments. The Housing LIN has published an accompanying [policy briefing](#) (see New Housing LIN publications below).

### **'Drugs: protecting families and communities' - 2008-2018 strategy** **Home Office**

The ambition of the [new drug strategy](#) is to achieve sustainable reductions in the harms caused by drugs. The Government's programmes to tackle social exclusion among adults and at risk families recognise that people or places can become trapped in a cycle of related problems, such as unemployment, poor skills, low incomes, poverty, poor housing, high crime, bad health and family breakdown – all factors which can be related to higher levels of drug use.

The housing elements of the strategy include:

- encouraging joint working between treatment agencies, Jobcentres and sources of housing advocacy and advice, to plan and manage clients' journeys through treatment and into work, helping them access the wider support they need to re-establish their lives;
- encouraging local authorities to work with partners to meet locally-identified need for housing and support for those affected by drug misuse
- Piloting of individual budgets to include accessing housing.

<http://drugs.homeoffice.gov.uk/drug-strategy/overview/>

### **Department of Health S64 grant allocations**

These grants help voluntary organisations whose work supports the Government's health and social care goals. The allocations for 2008-09 have now been announced.

Successful grants include the Elderly Accommodation Counsel (Advice and Information), Extra Care Charitable Trust, ('Wellbeing Express) St Mungos (Supporting the Homeless with end of life care) and Turning Point (Brokering Individual budgets in mental health).

Further details can be found on

<http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Managingyourorganisation/Financeandplanning/Section64grants/index.htm>

### **Dementia Strategy update: a message from Sue Garwood**

Many thanks to those of you who sent your thoughts on the potential contribution of the housing sector to improving the lives of people with dementia and their carers.

As the Housing LIN representative on one of the External Reference Group sub-groups, I attended four meetings at which I sought to ensure that housing was included where relevant. I conveyed a number of fundamental messages:

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- That the housing sector needed to be bedded into each facet of the strategy where relevant, rather than being an add-on and afterthought
- That in order for the sector's inclusion to be real, both multi-sector levers such as Strategic Needs Assessments and Local Area Agreements, and housing-specific levers such as guidance and specifications of housing commissioners and regulators needed to be applied

A draft strategy will come out for consultation in a few months time. Please keep your eyes open for this and submit your views when it comes out. It is important that the voice of "housing" is heard.

In the meantime, if you are involved in a project you take pride in, do get in touch with me [sue@sugarwood.co.uk](mailto:sue@sugarwood.co.uk) or your regional Housing LIN representative. It could be:

- An innovative housing scheme
- An initiative to raise understanding of dementia amongst your residents
- A working model of close co-ordination with your community mental health team or local Alzheimer's Society
- Broader use of the community alarm service for people with dementia
- A housing scheme providing day or outreach services for people with dementia to name but a few possibilities.

The following link takes you to a three-page briefing directed at those involved in developing the strategy. <http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing/index.cfm?pid=522&catalogueContentID=3084>

In addition, the [Telecare LIN](#) have produced a detailed briefing on dementia and telecare. [http://www.integratedcarenetwork.gov.uk/library/Resources/Telecare/Support\\_materials/Telecare\\_LIN\\_Briefing\\_-\\_Dementia\\_April\\_2008\\_4.pdf](http://www.integratedcarenetwork.gov.uk/library/Resources/Telecare/Support_materials/Telecare_LIN_Briefing_-_Dementia_April_2008_4.pdf)

## CURRENT CONSULTATIONS

### The future regulation of health and adult social care in England: A consultation on the framework for the registration of health and adult social care providers

From April 2009, the new Care Quality Commission will take over the functions of the Healthcare Commission, the Commission for Social Care Inspection (CSCI) and the Mental Health Act Commission (MHAC). While not Extra Care specific, this [consultation](#) seeks views on:

- Which health and adult social care services should require registration with the Care Quality Commission; and what the requirements for registration should be.
- When providers of regulated services should be required to have a registered manager, and how primary care services should be included in the new registration system.

For more details on the consultation and the three learning events being run by the Department of Health: [http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH\\_083625](http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH_083625)  
The closing date is 17<sup>th</sup> June.

## TELECARE NEWS

### Telecare outcomes and services - new CSIP web pages

Following five successful events in January and February 2008 attended by 440 people, CSIP Networks has launched a web page to cover the presentations and outcomes from telecare programmes over the last 2-3 years. Social care authorities will need to provide outcome information and progress on telecare mainstreaming as part of the CSCI performance assessment in April 2008. In addition, CSIP Networks has launched a comprehensive listing of telecare services provided by local authorities, housing associations and independent organisations in England. If you have outcome and service information that is not yet covered then let Mike Clark know at [telecare@csip.org.uk](mailto:telecare@csip.org.uk).

The new web pages are:  
[www.icn.csip.org.uk/telecareoutcomes](http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/telecareoutcomes)  
[www.icn.csip.org.uk/telecareservices](http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/telecareservices)



## NEW HOUSING LIN PUBLICATIONS

### Factsheet

#### **Nomination Arrangements in Extra Care Housing (April 2008)**

Nomination arrangements are a key element in creating a successful extra care housing scheme. Since extra care housing is a fusion of housing and care, clarity is needed as to its role in responding to the competing pressures of care and housing needs. Should extra care housing be used to minimise the admissions to residential care or should a 'balanced community' be created, including those with only a housing need? [This factsheet](#) explores this question and its implications.

<http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing/index.cfm?pid=521&catalogueContentID=3061>

### Briefings

#### **Housing Sector Role in Delivering National Dementia Strategy**

A whole systems approach is needed to achieve the intended outcomes of the dementia strategy. Housing - and third sector generally - provide many upstream services which support well-being. [This briefing](#) gives a glimpse of areas where the sector can make a significant contribution given appropriate information, training, guidance and incentives. Some of these aspects are touched on in the recently published National Strategy on Housing for an Ageing Society, *Lifetime Homes, Lifetime Neighbourhoods* (2008).

<http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing/index.cfm?pid=522&catalogueContentID=3084>

#### **The Independent Living Strategy – delivering on choice and control for disabled people (ODI)**

[This briefing](#) outlines the key commitments in the strategy, including the role housing plays in ensuring disabled people, (including older disabled people), have the same choice, freedom, dignity and control over their lives as non-disabled people.

<http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing/index.cfm?pid=333>

#### **Comprehensive Area Assessments**

[This briefing](#) document offers an overview of the process with a discussion of implications for the work of the Housing Learning and Improvement Network (LIN).

<http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing/index.cfm?pid=522&catalogueContentID=3083>

#### **Lifetime Homes, Lifetime Neighbourhoods - A National Strategy on Housing in an Ageing Society**

[This briefing](#) provides a quick overview of the evidence, context and key issues raised by the strategy published by the Department for Communities and Local Government, addressing the challenges and opportunities for housing in an ageing society.

<http://icn.csip.org.uk/housing/index.cfm?pid=522&catalogueContentID=3082>

## NEW CSIP PUBLICATIONS

#### **High Impact Changes for Health and Social Care**

[This publication](#) features a collection of organisational initiatives which are changing health and social care services and the lives of people who use them.

These initiatives are organised around the seven positive outcomes for people using health and social care services identified in the Government Green Paper **Independence wellbeing and choice** and the White Paper **Our health our care our say**. These were identified following a major consultation exercise informed by the expressed views of service users and carers across the country. They have been further reinforced by **Putting people first** (2007) and the 2008 Local Government Circular **Transforming Social Care**.

There are examples of the role housing can play, they are:

- 'Help@home scheme (focus on preventative services) , Shropshire County Council and
- Age Concern's Open Door Project , Wakefield Metropolitan District Council

<http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/index.cfm?pid=486&catalogueContentID=2907>

#### **Personalisation Self-Assessment Tool**

[This tool](#) aims to help local authorities better understand what is required to transform social care systems from current models to a 'self-directed support' model that will support the delivery of the personalisation agenda required by *Putting People First* concordat. It draws on the learning so far from experience of implementing direct payments, the Individual Budget Pilot Programme and In Control.

<http://self-assess.personalisation.org.uk/csips/>

## OTHER USEFUL PUBLICATIONS

### **Non-Housing Revenue Account Private Finance Initiative - cost of new build social rented housing**

This is a summary of the findings and conclusions from the CLG of the first two stages of the review of the cost of delivering new build social rented housing through non-Housing Revenue Account Private Finance Initiative (non-HRA PFI) and Social Housing Grant (SHG).

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/housing/nonhrapfi>

### **More responsive public services? A guide to commissioning migrant and refugee community organisations**

Written by John Perry and A. Azim El-Hassan for **hact** and published by The Joseph Rowntree Foundation.

[This guide](#) helps commissioners, migrant and refugee community organisations (MRCOs) and the bodies that support them, to deliver services that meet the needs of refugees and new migrants, while simultaneously promoting the role of MRCOs. It includes a chapter on accommodation and related support, as well as chapters on improving access to healthcare, providing integration and employment services to refugees, housing related support through Supporting People, legal aid services, services for young people, ESOL training and job-related training. The guide can be downloaded free of charge; or order hard copies from JRF's bookshop page:

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/bookshop/details.asp?pubID=941>

### **Living on the Edge – enabling older owner occupiers with moderate learning disabilities to live independently**

[This report](#), published by Care & Repair England looks at the situation facing some older owner occupiers who

- Live in homes needing urgent repairs and/or adaptations
- Have reached a point of crisis at home
- Lack some comprehension, or have behavioural difficulties, that
- adversely affect their abilities to manage their everyday lives
- Are living in complex situations
- Are facing the likelihood of crises recurring in the future

<http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing/index.cfm?pid=528&catalogueContentID=2866>

## VIDEO CLIPS

Two clips launching the Lifetime Homes, Lifetime Neighbourhoods Strategy

Secretary of State, Hazel Blears:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NFkCg2WEaDA>

Prime Minister Gordon Brown:

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/housing/housingmanagementcare/housingolder/lifetimehomesvideo/>

## COURSE

### **Medication in Extra Care, e-learning course**

Opus Pharmacy Services, the authors of the Housing LIN factsheet 23 *Medication in Extra Care Housing*, have developed a certificated "Medication in Extra Care Housing" e-learning course in line with the Skills for Care knowledge sets and following CSCI guidance. The interactive and modular course enables learners to progress at their own pace and allows organisations to deliver training "on demand", whenever and wherever it is needed.

As with the in-house tutor-based sessions, Opus Pharmacy Services update their training frequently to accommodate changing guidelines and legislation. For further information regarding the course content visit [www.opuspharmserve.com](http://www.opuspharmserve.com) or e-mail [info@opuspharmserve.com](mailto:info@opuspharmserve.com)

## REGIONAL NEWS

### **SW Region**

Ridgeway Community Housing Association is working in partnership with Bath & North East Somerset Council, the National Autistic Society and parents to deliver a flagship extra care scheme and service which will enable 8 young people with autism to make the transition from school and residential care to living in their own homes, where with specialist support they will have the opportunity to gain the skills and confidence they need to live independently. For further details contact: Susan Holmes [susan.holmes@ridgewaycommunity.org.uk](mailto:susan.holmes@ridgewaycommunity.org.uk)

### **Oxfordshire**

*A Framework for an Oxfordshire Extra Care Housing Strategy*. [This Report](#), published by Oxfordshire County Council in January 2008, proposes the principles and approach for establishing an Extra

Care Housing Strategy for Oxfordshire. It can be downloaded under:

<http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing/index.cfm?pid=528&catalogueContentID=3099>

## LIN EVENTS

### REGIONAL LIN MEETINGS

#### London & SE Region LIN

11<sup>th</sup> June 2008, tbc

To register for these events, visit our events page at [www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing](http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing) under [Events](#).

#### Regional Seminars to consider joint planning and delivery across the Housing, Health and Social Care Sectors

Older people (particularly those of 75 years or more) are the main users of health and social care services. They are also the age group most likely to occupy homes which are cold, damp and need repair or adaptation.

These seminars, run by Care & Repair England and the Housing LIN, will provide an opportunity for those working at a policy and planning level in housing, health and social care to consider how service planning, commissioning, delivery and targeting can be better coordinated across the three sectors.

The events will enable delegates to gain a sharper perspective on areas of common interest and shared targets. It will also provide an opportunity to engage in discussion and gain practical information about 'real world' implementation.

19<sup>th</sup> June - Birmingham

24<sup>th</sup> June - Manchester

9<sup>th</sup> July - York

23<sup>rd</sup> July - London

23<sup>rd</sup> September - Bristol

If you would like to book a place at one of these seminars, please email your interest to [info@careandrepair-england.org.uk](mailto:info@careandrepair-england.org.uk) with your name, organisation, position held and email address.

More details are available under the following link: <http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing/index.cfm?pid=488&eventID=348>

#### Positive planning through regional partnership

These are a series of free workshops that have been commissioned by the Department of Communities and Local Government, Department of Health, Care Services Improvement Partnership and the Housing Corporation to examine regional investment, housing support and health and social care.

2<sup>nd</sup> May - Midlands - Birmingham Football Club plc

9<sup>th</sup> May - South - Bristol Marriott Hotel City Centre.

6<sup>th</sup> May - North - Chancellors Hotel & Conference

22<sup>nd</sup> May - London - Glaziers Hall

3<sup>rd</sup> June - Cambridge - Trinity Centre

Details <http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing/index.cfm?pid=488&eventID=340>

#### Regional Housing Strategies Workshop – Bridgwater, 9 June 2008

The South West Housing LIN are holding a major conference at the Exchange in Bridgwater. The main purpose of this event is to disseminate information gained from a recent project '*Assessing regional housing markets and developing effective strategies for meeting older people's housing demands regionally.*' The project is being funded by way of an Innovation and Good Practice (IGP) Grant from the Housing Corporation together with sponsorship from the Regional assembly, Swindon County Council and Cornwall County Council. The Institute of Public Care (IPC) was commissioned to undertake this project. The advisory note and resource pack will be available during the event. More information and Registration will be available shortly via the Housing LIN website.

[www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing](http://www.icn.csip.org.uk/housing)

## CONFERENCES

#### Community Care Live 08 – London, 15 May 2008

The Telecare LIN, Integrated Care Network and the Housing LIN will be running workshops.

<http://www.communitycarelive08.co.uk/>

#### 4 June Housing Quality Network – London, 4 June 2008

Better Housing for an Ageing Society – Planning your response to the National Strategy. Includes as speakers Jeremy Porteus (CSIP) and John Galvin (EAC)

Housing our ageing society provides one of our greatest challenges. How can you provide a more



personal, progressive, high quality and joined-up approach to housing older people in your communities? Attend this conference to compare your housing and services with other providers and neighbourhoods and identify areas for improvement.  
[http://www.hqnetwork.org.uk/coming\\_events](http://www.hqnetwork.org.uk/coming_events)  
[http://www.hqnetwork.org.uk/scripts/get\\_events?file=696](http://www.hqnetwork.org.uk/scripts/get_events?file=696)

### **17/19 June CIH annual conference – Harrogate 17/19 June 2008**

As previously, CSIP and the Housing LIN will run a fringe policy session. Agenda and details to be announced shortly.

<http://cihhousing.com/conference/programme-overview/>

## **MULTI MEDIA RESOURCES**

### **CD-Roms and DVDs available free from [housing@csip.org.uk](mailto:housing@csip.org.uk)**

CD-Roms and available free from [housing@csip.org.uk](mailto:housing@csip.org.uk) :

- That's My Home – Housing Needs for Older People with Dementia (CD Rom)
- Telecare - Living with Independence (CD Rom)
- Healthy Homes, Healthier Lives (DVD / CD Rom and support material)
- Strategic Moves – Thinking, planning and delivering differently - Strategic Commissioning of Services for Older People (CD Rom)
- Housing Now - Choice, control and independence for people with learning difficulties (DVD and CD Rom pack)
- Sheltered Housing's Contribution to Health and Social Care – published by EROSH and CSIP

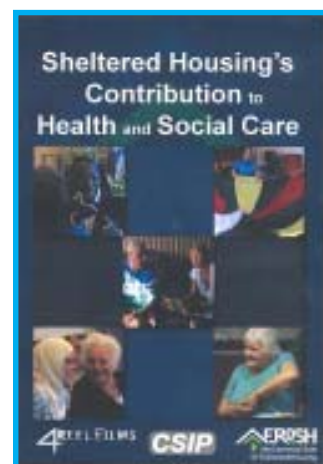
## **RECENT PRESS CLIPS**

News items by the Housing LIN have appeared in The Guardian, Inside Housing and Community Care news.

## **PROMOTE YOUR WORK**

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## **We welcome your contributions**



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