

## **Supported Living Easy Read Update – March 2021**



We want to share our plans for supported living in Norfolk and tell you where you can go to find out more information.



We have used an Easy Read format to make this letter accessible to more people.

### **What is supported living?**



Supported living gives people choice and control over where they live and how their support needs are met.



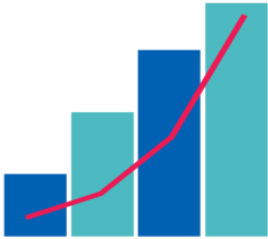
In supported living someone rents or owns their own home and works with a care provider to meet their care and support needs.

## What have we been doing?



We asked people about homes and housing. They said that they:

- Want more choice about where they live
- Want to be part of their local community
- Live close to places like shops, doctors, cafes and work



We have also been comparing Norfolk to other areas. We know that Norfolk uses more residential care than other places.



We have been looking at how the population of Norfolk will change. We know that this means there will be more people needing supported living in the future.

## What are we going to do?



To give people more choice we want to increase the amount of supported living available in Norfolk.

Norfolk County Council has created a three-year plan to do this.



We want to build more than 180 new homes over the next three years. These new homes will provide supported living for people with learning disabilities, mental health needs, physical disabilities and autistic people / people with autism.



To make sure that they are good homes we will work with organisations that specialise in building new homes for people with disabilities.

We have also used your feedback to produce a document that describes what the new homes should look and feel like.



We would like you to tell us what you think about this document so we can make it better. You can find it on our website here:

[Consultation and Questionnaire Feedback](#)

### **Where can I go for more information?**

We have also created an easy read document that describes our plan in more detail. You can find it on our website here:

[Norfolk Supported Housing guide summary version](#)

[Norfolk Supported Housing guide full version](#)



Or you can contact us by email and ask us to send you a copy in the post at: [LDCommissioning@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:LDCommissioning@norfolk.gov.uk)

We will also be holding some webinars to explain our plans in more detail.



The webinars will be held on Zoom on the dates below. Each session will have a theme, but you are welcome to attend any date to share your feedback:



- 10<sup>th</sup> May 2 – 3.30: homes for people with a learning disability
- 11<sup>th</sup> May 3 – 4.25pm: homes for people with mental health needs
- 11<sup>th</sup> May 4.35 – 6pm: homes for autistic people / people with autism
- 25<sup>th</sup> May 4 – 5.30pm: homes for people with physical disabilities



At the webinars we will tell you about our plans. You can tell us what you think about them using a questionnaire after the event.



To book a place please follow this link to our events page, where you will be able to RSVP to the webinar of your choice:

<https://tockify.com/socialcareengagement/pinboard>

Once you have RSVP'd, you will be sent a link that will allow you to attend the event via Zoom.

Thank you for taking the time to read our letter.