

Local Lettings Policy

Retirement Living Schemes

Retirement living is allocated to singles or couples over the age of 55 years old. The schemes were originally let to those over 55 with a support need and many of our current residents continue to have a support need. Whilst they offer independent living for older people, there are communal laundries and communal lounges available for communal living.

Lifestone recognises the need to develop stable, sustainable and harmonious communities within retirement living. To achieve this property allocations will be made that best suit the needs of the individual and the neighbourhood, whilst ensuring equal access to accommodation. It is felt that this can be best achieved by introducing a local lettings policy. Such a scheme would run alongside the Common Allocations Policy.

To provide a settled, secure living environment for residents, it is proposed to give preference to those applicants who meet the following criteria:

- a) Are not currently involved with drug or alcohol misuse
- b) Have not been involved with drug or alcohol misuse in the past five years
- c) Have no history of anti-social behaviour within the past two years
- d) No access to children

Where there is a vulnerability or known serious or lifelong condition, we will ensure customers' needs are considered so that they are not placed at risk. We will provide support to move where needed.

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