

Local Lettings Policy - Sheltered Properties

Mid Suffolk Schemes	Babergh Schemes
Cherryfields, Bramford	Steeds Meadow, Long Melford
Elizabeth Court, Eye	Elizabeth Court, Sudbury
Farnish House, Botesdale	Playford Court, Sudbury
Hartismere House, Laxfield	
Hurstlea Court, Needham Market	
Jubilee Court, Stowupland	
Masons Court, Mendlesham	
Partridge Court, Stowmarket	
St Edmunds Court, Hoxne	
St Peter's Court, Claydon	
Weston Court, Stowmarket	

Babergh & Mid Suffolk District Councils recognises the need to develop stable, sustainable, and harmonious communities and to achieve property allocations that best suit the needs of the individual and the neighbourhood. It is felt that this can be best achieved by changing the mix of tenants and introducing a local lettings policy.

This Policy would run alongside the Choice Based Lettings Scheme. In order to provide a settled, secure living environment for our current residents, all allocations will be made to those who meet the following criteria:

- Over 60 years of age OR
- 55 years of age and in receipt of Personal Independence Payment (PIP)

AND

- No housing-related anti-social behaviour in the last 3 years
- No problematic behaviour or anti-social behaviour related to alcohol or substance misuse, in the last 3 years, which may impact on their ability to live in a sheltered housing scheme
- No high-risk offenders and/or those subject to Multi-agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA), that we deem unsuitable for one of our integral sheltered schemes. Cases may be discussed with the Police Public Protection Unit or Probation Team (if on licence)
- Have no relevant offending history, which would deem them unsuitable to live in one our integral sheltered schemes.

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