

## ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT AREA BOARD – 22/7/15

### Chair's update – Dairy View Extra Care scheme, Cloatley Crescent

- Royal Wootton Bassett's new extra care scheme for older people opens on 17<sup>th</sup> August – this is the building nearing completion on the former St Ivel site on Cloatley Crescent.
- This affordable housing scheme has been developed by Housing and Care 21 in partnership with Wiltshire Council and will go a long way to meeting the housing needs of older people in the Royal Wootton Bassett.
- For those who are not familiar with extra care, this is a form of housing that is affordable and accessible, that provides housing choice, enables older people to remain independent in their own homes for longer, and can be a real alternative to residential care . Notable features of extra care include:
  - Apartments that are designed to be fully accessible for older people over 55 with a range of needs, including accessible bathrooms;
  - Access to 24/7 on site care and support so that residents have the comfort of knowing that support is always close by; and
  - The provision of a range of communal facilities and services for both residents and older people from across the local community.
- Dairy View will provide 48 new apartments for affordable rent, with a mixture of 1 and 2 bedroom homes, and facilities on site include:
  - Coffee bar serving hot food
  - Communal lounge
  - Assisted bathing facilities
  - Buggy store
  - Hair and beauty salon
  - Laundry
  - Onsite manager during office hours
- To be eligible to live at scheme you will need to be:
  - Over 55
  - Have a local connection to Wiltshire
  - Require housing related support and / or have a social care need; and
  - Priority will be given to local people from this area.
- To apply to live at the scheme, you will need to join Wiltshire Council's Housing register<sup>1</sup> and express an interest in living in extra care. Following an assessment, you will be able to apply to live at the scheme. There are some leaflets available if you would like more information.
- There will be **open day at the scheme on 6<sup>th</sup> August from 10 to 3pm** so you will be able to have a look at the show flat and find out a little bit more about the scheme from Housing and Care 21.

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<sup>1</sup> Call on 0300 456 0104, email [homes4wiltshire@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:homes4wiltshire@wiltshire.gov.uk) or apply on the website at [www.homes4wiltshire.co.uk](http://www.homes4wiltshire.co.uk)

- Housing and Care 21 are delighted to have developed in Royal Wootton Bassett as it has its own roots as the Royal British Legion Housing Association. Indeed, a few weeks ago, some Members of the local RBL branch attended an event at Dairy View to formally open the show flat.
- Dairy View is part of the Council's wider programme to deliver an additional 1,100 units of extra care housing across all of Wiltshire's community areas by 2026.

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