

Partnership working with North Yorkshire Council

Introducing the Extra Care Housing Framework

- **Development type:** Extra Care
- **Local authority partner:** North Yorkshire Council
- **Timeframe:** 2014 to 2024
- **Total number of schemes:** 10
- **Total number of properties:** 542



An ageing population combined with the national housing crisis is putting increasing pressure on local authorities across the UK. In North Yorkshire, almost a third of residents (32 percent) are aged 65 or older – this figure is above the national average of 23 percent and on the rise.

To add to this, the challenge of providing suitable homes, care and support for older people has been exacerbated by the rural, sparsely populated location, making it difficult for some residents in North Yorkshire to access the services they need.

Over the past 20 years, North Yorkshire Council has taken a proactive approach to tackling these challenges by introducing its Extra Care Housing (ECH) Framework.

Through this framework, we've been able to work in partnership with North Yorkshire Council to provide a total of 542 homes, across 10 schemes, for older people of modest means. Together, we've been able to deliver on our shared commitment of supporting older people to live well.



In addition to providing much-needed affordable housing, across our Extra Care schemes we've also been able to house hugely beneficial community assets.

Many of our developments, including those in North Yorkshire, offer thriving shared facilities, open to residents and others in the area. This includes cafes, restaurants, libraries, hair salons, meeting rooms and social activities, including inter-generational initiatives, all of which have helped breathe new life into North Yorkshire's rural communities.

“The development of Extra Care in the county is a strategic priority for the council. With Extra Care, you stay in control of your own future, retaining dignity, security and choice.”

- Councillor Michael Harrison, Executive Member for Adult Services and Health Integration at North Yorkshire Council