Background Paper

Analysis of Brent's future requirements for older persons Extra Care housing

Conclusions Summary

Brent is moving from an institutional care homes placements model to Extra Care housing, meeting a growing care need for older people to be accommodated in Extra Care whilst retaining a smaller number of people in Registered Care and Nursing Homes.

Current Extra Care provision needs growing in line with the demand.

Brent has a large population over the age of 50 with 40% being aged 50-65%. This demographic anomaly suggest that the large numbers of residents needing care will present within the next two decades as this cohort ages.

Further 120 units of Extra care accommodation are needed by 2019-20

To maintain ratio of 4:6 between Extra Care and residential a further 190 units of Extra Care Accommodation will be needed by 2030

To keep pace with the increased demand 20 units of accommodation should be added every year from 2020-30

New projects should be taking into account reablement and the need for step down accommodation for people leaving hospitals.

Out of the 176 units in the existing Extra Care projects, Beachwood Court (20 flats, or 11% of the capacity) is the only dementia friendly/specialist service. It is consistently oversubscribed. Wandering in the community seems to be the most common reason for placing people in institutional residential setting even when personal care, mobility and independent function are not diminished.

Between 2014 and 2030 the total population in Brent estimated to have dementia is projected to rise from 2,369 to 3,857 (63% over this period).

Brent has a population of 262 clients with Mental Health problems receiving accommodation based support. As this population is ageing, living longer and presenting with personal care needs on top of specialist mental health needs (although mostly treatment and management stable) they are becoming a distinct group. There are currently 19 people within this characteristic on the waiting list for Extra Care. (10-15%)

Methodology and data analysed

- 1. Demand for Extra Care Accommodation in Brent over the twelve month period with 176 units of accommodation in existing schemes and the prospect of 99 flats block in Visram House
- 2. ONS estimate for population demographic change 2015-30
- 3. Housing LIN Shop Tool comparing Local and national demographic and extra care supply data
- 4. POPO, INS, 2016 projection based on ONS census data released 2014
- 5. JSNA 2015 Brent Overview report
- 6. JSNA 2015, Brent, report extract on Dementia