

Applications

Age Qualification

Our houses are intended for older people. There is no upper bar on age, but people below retirement age are rarely accepted.

Couples and single people

The two houses at Orchard Close in Twyford are designed to accommodate single people and couples.

Level of support provided

We need to ensure that we can meet a person's needs before offering a place. In our very sheltered house, we are not allowed to provide personal care (such as help with dressing and washing) or nursing care (other than emergencies or during short-term illness). However, we can and do facilitate and help residents organise visiting care services as needed.

Further Information

For further information about the Society or procedures for applying please contact:

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The office is open Mon – Fri 9.30 am – 1.30 pm

How to find us

Take Exit 11 from the M3 and follow signs for Twyford. After entering the village 30 mph speed restriction area, take the second turning left into Bourne Lane. Proceed along this road until it takes a right-hand turn and carry on down the hill. The first entrance on the left, clearly marked Orchard Close, takes you into the parking area.

The Abbeyfield Society

Abbeyfield Homes are committed to providing companionship and a safe home for elderly people. They are run by local volunteers serving as Trustees on an Executive Committee or members of a House Committee. Both committees work closely with the Administrator and House Manager

An independent society, the Abbeyfield Winchester Society is affiliated to The Abbeyfield Society (www.abbeyfield.com), and is committed to compliance with their National Standard.

An exempt charity,

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Tenant Services Authority H3405

Industrial and Provident Society 23563R

Abbeyfield
Where older people find care in housing

Abbeyfield Winchester Society

at Orchard Close, Twyford



Safety, security and service
Affordable to all!



The Abbeyfield Winchester Society

Based at Orchard Close in Bourne Lane, Twyford, four miles outside Winchester, the Society runs two attractive residential houses, linked by common facilities and set in beautiful, mature gardens.

Cusack House (the original dwelling built early in the 20th century) has fourteen individual bed-sitting-rooms, fully modernised and with en-suite showers and toilets.

Thornton House (completed in Spring 2009) has nine 2-room apartments, again with en-suite facilities. These are designed for single occupancy or for couples, either as two bed-sitting rooms with shared facilities or a double bedroom and sitting-room.

Each house has a lift between floors and both are fully accessible for wheelchairs and other mobility aids. Plans are in place to construct a permanent, covered link between the two buildings to facilitate their shared amenities.

Monthly charges start at £1184 (as of March) for Cusack House and £1805 (Single), £2320 (Double) for Thornton House. They may be supported by Housing Benefit and Supporting People Benefit if needed, so are affordable by all. They cover on-site staff, a 24-hour emergency call system, all meals, lighting, heating, cleaning and laundry, as well as council tax and water rates.

Amenities

Doctors Twyford Surgery is approximately 10-15 minutes' walk.

Shopping There is a small in-house facility for purchasing requested items and a well-stocked local village shop approximately 10-15 minutes' walk away. This also has post office and banking facilities and an adjacent café/restaurant.

Hairdressing A hairdresser visits once a week and there is a designated area in Thornton House for hairdressing with modern, specialised equipment.

Transport Buses run every 30 minutes from the end of Bourne Lane to Winchester and Eastleigh. There is also an active, local volunteer group that offers individual help with transport for local, elderly residents.

Parking Some of our residents have cars and there is space in the car-park to accommodate them.

Mobility Scooters Buggies can be stored and powered on site and Thornton House is fully accessible for these mobility aids.

Garden The grounds are extensive, peaceful and full of interesting plants. Residents are encouraged to help in the garden or greenhouse if they are keen and interested to do so.



Activities

A committee of volunteers plans a programme of activities and outings in consultation with residents. This includes both in-house entertainment, and excursions to places of interest, including the theatre. There is an annual Christmas Party, and a summer Garden Party.

Both houses have guest rooms for use by residents' families and friends and visitors are always welcome for occasional meals.

Morning coffee and afternoon tea are popular daily gatherings, and residents are often joined by visitors.

Taster/Respite Stays

When there are vacant rooms, we are happy to offer temporary accommodation for taster or respite purposes. Provided dependency is not too great, this can include post-operative convalescence and can supply a reassuring half-way house for elderly people between discharge from hospital and returning to their own homes, at an affordable rate.