

# Specialised Residential Care



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Specialised Residential Care (SRC) homes are residential homes that specialise for people with a high level of dementia but who do not have nursing needs. They are a specific type of home only available in Somerset, contracted jointly by Somerset County Council and the NHS through Somerset Partnership NHS and Social Care Trust.

Staff will be able to prompt and provide supervision to help people maintain their wellbeing. What makes them specialised is that SRC homes are accredited to quality standards to make sure levels of staffing and the homes' environment meet higher dementia needs.

Somerset Partnership Trust employs Specialist Care Development Nurses (SCDNs) who support residents and provide advice and support to the care staff.

Sometimes people may have a higher level of dementia that general residential homes can support. This is not the same provision as SRC. General residential homes are not accredited to the specialist quality standards and don't have the same level of input and support from an SCDN.

Self-funding residents can access SRC. We set the fee rate for Somerset County Council funded residents. The fee rate for new self-funded residents is set by the individual SRC home and the financial agreement will be between the resident and the home.

If you have any questions about fees, please discuss this with your allocated social worker.

SRC homes are available in a range of different settings, including larger and smaller homes, and in units attached to a larger home.



### **How are places allocated?**

Normally, a mental health professional and a social worker complete a care assessment. They will decide if an SRC home would be most suitable to meet a person's needs.

Homes may decline a possible resident based on their current dependency levels or on the current balance of residents in the home at the time.

SRC placements are flexible and are predominantly used for long stay placements. Regular reviews make sure that care is maintained and appropriate. This means that the care can change if a resident's needs change.

Please note that this also means that people may have to move to different types of care, such as a nursing home, if their needs increase.

Once it has been agreed that an SRC placement is required you will be asked to visit SRC homes to help decide on one that suits your needs.

## Where are the homes?

<p><b>Mendip</b>          Critchill Court          Lynwood Close          Frome BA11 4DP          Phone: 01373 461686          (16 beds - part of a residential home)</p> <p>St Cecilia Care Home          1 Hitchen Lane,          Shepton Mallet BA4 5TZ          Phone: 01749 342809          (17 bed residential home)</p>	<p><b>Sedgemoor</b>          Frith House          Steart Drive          Burnham-on-Sea TA8 1AA          Phone: 01278 782537          (29 beds - part of a residential home)</p> <p>Oak Trees          Rhode Lane          Bridgwater TA6 6JF          Phone: 01278 451125          (32 bed – part of a residential home)</p>
<p><b>South Somerset</b>          Grovelands          45 Grove Avenue          Yeovil BA20 2BE          Phone: 01935 475521          (30 beds - part of a residential home)</p> <p>Hazelwell Lodge          67 Station Road          Ilminster TA19 9BQ          Phone: 01460 52760          (15 bed unit - attached to an EMI residential home)</p> <p>Portcullis House          The Embankment          Langport TA10 9RZ          Phone: 01458 250800          (16 beds - part of a residential home)</p>	<p><b>Taunton Deane</b>          The Rectory          2 Trinity Road          Taunton TA1 3JH          Phone: 01823 324145          (23 bed home)</p> <p>Wellington and Longforth House          Longforth Road          Wellington TA21 8RH          Phone: 01823 663667          (33 bed home)</p> <p><b>West Somerset</b>          Croft House          Bridge Street          Williton TA4 4NR          Phone: 01984 632536          (22 beds - part of a residential home)</p>

## **Your opportunity to feedback**

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- Speak to your social care worker
- Phone Somerset Direct on 0300 123 2224, or
- Contact the Adults and Health Customer Experience Officer  
Floor B2 East  
County Hall  
Taunton  
TA1 4DY  
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