



**HOUSING ENABLERS**  
Local homes for local people

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## What can older people do to stay local?

- Make sure they are registered on the North Yorkshire HomeChoice at their local council.
- Approach Parish Councillors - they may know of properties in the village.
- Speak to their local Ward Councillor about new affordable housing in the local area/parish.
- Speak to friends who may be in the same position - affordable housing schemes need support!
- Contact their Rural Housing Enabler for advice on staying local.



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# Local Homes for Local People in rural areas

Betty and Fred's story...



Helping Betty and Fred to stay 'local'...



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## Helping Betty and Fred...

... Betty and Fred are retired and had rented the same property in Ellerbeck since they married.

The cottage has four bedrooms and a large garden and was where they brought up their three children.

Fred worked for the Post Office for 43 years and Betty was a home carer for over 40 years covering local villages.

When Betty became ill last year the cottage became un-manageable.

There was no central heating and they lived in one room through the winter to keep warm.



Betty's brother suggested they put their names down for a home at Westfield in Osmotherley, their neighbouring village.

They now have a two bedroom ground floor flat which they share with one of their sons. It has an airflow heat pump, to help keep heating bills down, and is much more manageable for them both.

Family support is in the village as two of Betty's sisters live nearby, and they often have their grandchildren to visit.

The cottage that they left in Ellerbeck is now on the market and it is hoped that a young family will be able to buy it.

The couple enjoy the great sense of community within the village, with regular events take place including fish and chip nights and ladies teas.



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This is their story, what's yours?

This was the solution for Betty and Fred but it might not be right for you. Whatever the problem with your existing home or whether you are just planning for the future, come and talk to us about your options. You might want to down size to a smaller house, flat or bungalow with a garden or perhaps you want the care, support and companionship of living with others, in one of the new or existing Extra Care schemes across North Yorkshire.

### Extra Care Housing provides:

- your own front door - you live in your own home
- private apartments for rent or sale
- independence - couples and friends can stay together, and there is support to help you
- 24hr care and support services, if you need them
- social activities
- a range of facilities on site - shop, hair and beauty salon, lounge, hobbies room and library

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