**Transforming Care**

**Specialist supported housing development in North Warwickshire for people with a learning disability and autistic people**

**Housing provider engagement event**

**Thursday 13th July 2023**

Warwickshire County Council, in collaboration with Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Care Board (ICB), is progressing a bid for a NHSE Capital Funding Grant to facilitate the development of a small number of purpose-built homes with care support for people with learning disabilities and autism. These homes will be for people who have resided in mental health facilities for some time and whose discharge was impacted by the lack of suitable housing options.

This development will contribute to the delivery of the national Building the Right Support statutory guidance, and the Transforming Care programme, known locally as the Coventry and Warwickshire Learning Disability and Autism Programme (LDA Programme), in Warwickshire.

The new homes will offer an opportunity for residents to benefit from an individual bungalow with self-contained private garden, designed to meet individual need and built in-line with national design guidelines.

Warwickshire County Council Cabinet has agreed to the submission of a bid, the allocation of a North Warwickshire site on a 125 year lease and to the procurement of a housing deliver partner.

If a capital funding grant bid is successful, the aim would be for the scheme to go live in 2026.  More details about this project can be found in Warwickshire County Council Cabinet report from 11th May 2023 (link [HERE](https://democracy.warwickshire.gov.uk/mgIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=13162&PlanId=228&RPID=0)).

In order for WCC and the ICB to progress with the proposal, a housing provider engagement event is being delivered on **Thursday 13th July 2023 at 10.30am – 12.00pm** via MS Team, to gauge interest from specialist housing providers which will inform an Invitation to Tender Exercise due to be launched in Summer 2023.

The event is aimed at:

* registered providers of social housing
* registered social landlords
* registered housing associations
* care provider organisation with charitable status (with a housing development arm)

Providers in scope for this ITT opportunity must be non-profit registered providers of social housing, and have a former experience of / be eligible for NHS England capital grant funding and Homes England affordable housing grant funding. There will be a subsequent engagement opportunity for care providers who may be interested in the scheme.

The aim of the event is to outline plans for the proposed development including needs of the population in scope, site details, legal considerations and timeline. The event does not form part of a formal procurement but will inform the formal tender in due course in order to identify a Registered Housing Provider.

A key milestone for the project is for the appointed Registered Provider to apply for NHS England Capital Grant Funding to fund the housing units and subsequently design and build the scheme. More information about NHS England capital grant funding can be found [HERE](https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/B0430-building-the-right-home-nhs-capital-guidance.pdf).

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