



Brakendon Close

Independent Living





Welcome to Brakendon Close, where you'll find the perfect balance between privacy and peace of mind.

Our 51 property scheme has been designed to provide homes for people over 65, who are physically capable of leading an independent life.

Tenants enjoy the privacy of their own homes. However, on their doorstep is a wonderful community of like-minded people and support services designed to make later life more fulfilling.

To enquire about availability or book a tour, simply get in touch with our friendly Scheme Managers who will be happy to help.



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Facilities



Within Brakendon Close there are 51 properties, a mixture of well-equipped and spacious flats and bungalows all finished to the highest standards. Flats on the first floor are accessible via lift.

Each property benefits from its own front door, kitchen, living room, bedroom and en-suite bathroom.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

For tenants and relatives alike, there is peace of mind knowing that our Scheme Managers are on site seven days a week (subject to illness/emergencies) and will check on them at least once a day, as well as offering additional support as required.

Outside of office hours, there is 24/7 emergency alarm cover in place meaning tenants are always in safe hands.

FOOD

Each property in Brakendon Close has a kitchen for you to cook your own meals.

We can provide details of a range of trusted external meal providers and delivery services upon request.

Once a week, we offer a freshly cooked roast dinner or alternative which is delivered from the kitchens in our neighbouring care home.

Our Scheme Managers arrange regular Fish & Chip Lunches and Bring & Share Buffets.

SALON

We have a visiting hairdresser who works from our on-site salon. Payment is made directly to the hairdresser.

PARKING

Parking is available, and there are mobility scooter charging points and a secure bicycle rack.

GARDENS

Ground floor properties enjoy their own small flower bed or patio area.

The entire site is set in a quiet, private close with plenty of open space and delightful communal gardens tended by our friendly maintenance team.

CLEANING SERVICE

We offer the services of our own trusted in-house cleaner for an additional fee.

GUEST ROOM

Our double guest room accommodates up to two people sharing, and is available to the family of tenants at Brakendon Close or residents at Corton House.

Advance booking is essential, especially in the busy months such as summer, Christmas and Easter.

A charge is payable for this facility.

SHOPPING

Brakendon Close is ideally situated within easy walking distance of several useful local shops and services including a small supermarket, pharmacy, café, and post office.

The centre of Norwich is within walking distance for more able tenants and is 5 minutes away by bus.

Leisure



Our tenant-led Entertainments Committee meets monthly to discuss new ideas for activities, events and trips. These are arranged for interest and enjoyment although there is no compulsion to take part.

Most activities and events take part in our recently refurbished communal lounge, the Blake Lounge, where you can also find a communal kitchen, television, puzzle table, piano and library area.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

- Monday: Scrabble Group.
- Tuesday: Boccia
- Wednesday AM: Dance To Health seated dance class helps build core strength and prevent falls.
- Wednesday PM: Knit & Natter, Board Games
- Thursday AM: Coffee Morning
- Thursday PM: Carpet Bowls
- Saturday: Coffee & Cake Afternoon

OTHER ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS:

Holy Communion is held on the first Friday of every month and Songs of Praise sessions are held on a regular basis, usually monthly. These are strictly optional and we welcome all faiths or none at Brakendon Close.

We also regularly hold film afternoons, quizzes, singalong sessions and afternoon teas.

Tenants may visit our neighbouring site, Corton House care home, to join in with poetry and art appreciation groups. We also offer a monthly book club.

There are also occasional outings to beaches, tea rooms, boat trips and other places of interest.





Our Values

IN CARE FOR THE RIGHT REASONS

Established in 1952, Corton House began as the first purpose-built voluntarily run home for older people in England.

We continue to operate as a not for profit organisation today with a mission **to provide excellent, loving care and support for older people** through Corton House care home, our independent living scheme Brakendon Close, and our community outreach projects.

We are a Real Living Wage accredited employer and understand that we need to look after our staff so they can give their best in looking after our residents. We are pleased that many of our staff have over ten years' service with us.

Corton House is a Cooperative & Community Benefit Society registered with the FCA. Registration No. IP13969R

A CHRISTIAN ETHOS, OPEN TO ALL

Our Christian ethos of kindness and caring for one another continues to underpin everything we do today.

We are home to people of all faiths and none.

We have our own Chaplain who, in addition to offering worship services, is always available with a listening ear for a friendly chat and pastoral support no matter what your religious or spiritual beliefs.

A COMMUNITY INSIDE AND OUT

We pride ourselves on fostering a strong sense of community within Corton House and Brakendon Close. We believe in creating an environment where fellow residents can build firm friendships and be neighbourly to one another.

We have also forged strong connections with our wider local area through our community outreach projects, such as our recent Community Hot Spot: a warm hub and lunch club for vulnerable older people.

In a recent survey...

100%

of tenants at Brakendon
Close rated the overall service

good or
excellent

With all agreeing or strongly agreeing that they felt

*happy*¹
and
*safe*²
*independent*³

1 49% agree
51% strongly agree

2 42% agree
58% strongly agree

3 44% agree
56% strongly agree



