







Independent Living in the Stroud District

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1. Are you planning to retire in the Stroud district?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		75.44% 43
2	No		3.51% 2
3	Unsure		21.05% 12
		answered	57
		skipped	0



2. Would you consider moving into an Independent Living scheme* specifically for people aged 55+?* SDC Independent Living accommodation is a group of unfurnished, self-contained homes specifically designed for older people. The aim is to provide independent, secure accommodation with the optional addition of social facilities and functions if you want or need them. You can read more about it here: <https://www.stroud.gov.uk/housing/independent-living>

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		49.12% 28
2	No		22.81% 13
3	Unsure		28.07% 16
		answered	57
		skipped	0

3. Do you have plans to move to another home when you get older?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		29.82% 17
2	No		28.07% 16
3	Unsure		42.11% 24
		answered	57
		skipped	0

4. If you did live in older person@SQ@s accommodation would you want to live in a rural parish or market town and why?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Rural parish		50.00% 26
2	Market town		50.00% 26

4. If you did live in older person@SQ@s accommodation would you want to live in a rural parish or market town and why?

	answered	52
	skipped	5

Comments: (57)

1	Access to services
2	Not sure
3	Peace and quiet
4	I love the country and nature it's good for my well being
5	I love the country and nature it's good for my well being
6	Quiet
7	I like quiet and countryside
8	Much more convenient for shops, doctors, etc
9	Have always lived in a market town.
10	Local
11	I don't like town
12	More facilities within walking distance.
13	I like peace and quiet
14	To be near shops facilities
15	Yes
16	No
17	I dont drive, do id need to be close to shops etc
18	Need shops etc close by
19	As I drive I would be able to transport myself and wouldn't need in town accommodation
20	A rural parish for the sake of the relative tranquility, but a market town, for the sake of access to amenities/social opportunities
21	I would very much like to stay near current friends & community, I think the building of independent living schemes in the middle of nowhere is a strange thing to do, as if we must send all older people off to the countryside to wither in silence. We should be providing more independent living within our towns & suburbs so people don't have to move miles, losing their support networks, simply to get the accommodation they need.
22	Nicer
23	Quieter area
24	Peace and quiet From potential noise residents
25	In a market town where all is accessible for independdant living
26	Like the rural setting.
27	Peace and quiet, and as most of shopping is done online with delivery, it seems that this is the way it will go

4. If you did live in older person@SQ@s accommodation would you want to live in a rural parish or market town and why?

28	Like fresh air and country side
29	Either
30	
31	Love the countryside.
32	Close to shops and doc
33	Quite
34	I prefer quiet and not so much traffic and people.
35	Do not drive so would need good bus and train links.
36	Because we like to live where there is plenty of greenery and space around us
37	Have lived in a rural area all of my life.
38	Close community
39	Better access to community, public transport etc
40	Better ammenaties and public transport links
41	Better ammenaties and public transport links
42	To stay near family
43	I dont really mind where I live as long as it's appropriate and quiet within a nice setting.
44	I'm happy to live in either setting
45	Quieter
46	Easy access to everything
47	Easier access to shops and doctors
48	I currently live in a rural area with the convenience of a small town near by , so I would only be interested in moving if I could live somewhere with similar surroundings.
49	I'd love to live in a more rural location, although I have no complaints about Dursley
50	Don't know as would depend on my health and mobility at the time.
51	Need amenities
53	I like peace and quiet, and have spent a lot of my life loving in the town centre, would prefer somewhere quiet to help with my anxiety.
54	More things on the doorstep
55	Ease of getting to shops and other amenities.
56	More facilities and already in a Market town
57	I like the market town

5. Stroud District Council is keen to develop communal areas in Independent Living accommodation which provide the facilities our tenants want. Please can you score all of the below with 1 being low and 5 being high priority:

Answer Choices	1	2	3	4	5	Response Total
Communal gardens and shared external spaces	11.54% 6	9.62% 5	13.46% 7	23.08% 12	42.31% 22	52

5. Stroud District Council is keen to develop communal areas in Independent Living accommodation which provide the facilities our tenants want. Please can you score all of the below with 1 being low and 5 being high priority:

Shared parking spaces	17.54% 10	7.02% 4	14.04% 8	19.30% 11	42.11% 24	57
Communal space for internal social gatherings - Communal HUBS	10.53% 6	12.28% 7	21.05% 12	22.81% 13	33.33% 19	57
Communal laundry facilities	15.79% 9	15.79% 9	19.30% 11	15.79% 9	33.33% 19	57
Mobility scooter store and charging points	17.54% 10	5.26% 3	24.56% 14	12.28% 7	40.35% 23	57
					answered	57
					skipped	0

Is there anything else not listed above? (15)

1	Group activities in the communal areas.
2	Group activities in the communal areas.
3	Bingo or night club lol
4	Not happy with accommodation
5	Did not finish cut gardening lift some corner aria's.
6	FACILITY FOR STORAGE/ charging of electric bicycles
7	Private small gardens for those with dogs or those who want their own outside space
8	
9	Allow pets.
10	No
11	I'd like the property to be a ground floor or within a setting with lift. I'd also need a level access shower.
12	To be in a property with a lift if not a grind floor property. A level acces shower is a must.
13	Own space small garden patio areas for privacy
14	To be honest I'd rather have my own drive and laundry facilities.
15	Small shop or place to pick up groceries in an emergency

6. Thinking about the community you live in – please can you score your importance on the list below with 1 being low and 5 being high priority:

Answer Choices	1	2	3	4	5	Response Total
Living amongst people your own age	17.54% 10	7.02% 4	33.33% 19	26.32% 15	15.79% 9	57
Access to local healthcare facilities	3.57% 2	7.14% 4	12.50% 7	26.79% 15	50.00% 28	56
Access to care and support	12.28%	7.02%	24.56%	21.05%	35.09%	57

6. Thinking about the community you live in – please can you score your importance on the list below with 1 being low and 5 being high priority:

	7	4	14	12	20		
Access to shops	3.51% 2	3.51% 2	15.79% 9	21.05% 12	56.14% 32	57	
Access to public transport	10.53% 6	8.77% 5	17.54% 10	14.04% 8	49.12% 28	57	
Secure buildings with controlled communal doors	10.53% 6	8.77% 5	12.28% 7	28.07% 16	40.35% 23	57	
						answered	57
						skipped	0

Is there anything else that is important to you? (10)

1	Living near family
2	Communal door my garden gate broken i called booked no one coming fixed disappointed 😞 and last i did blocked gap.looks awful still poeple using..so...i called council agian they actually we don't do or im misunderstanding?!...
3	Outdoor social spaces, good seating, raised garden beds, shade from pergolas
4	Yes! Ensuring quality of life for all residents Currently noise or nuisance neighbours are allowed to flaunt the tenancy agreement, rules etc
5	Any repairs done swiftly.
6	No
7	I like to live in a quiet peaceful surrounding in a safe environment with parking availability. We are very quiet and considerate and keep a tidy flat/environment so would like to remain like this where we moved too or have a charge so council keep grounds tidy, but we are willing to assist where possible.
8	To live in a well maintained outside spaces. Also it needs to be quiet and peaceful.
9	Freedom to engage or not engage with available services
10	I would need a second bedroom for a carer

7. Do you think your current accommodation will continue to meet your needs in the longer term as you get older?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	50
1	No - I have MS and will need modifications to this house such as a stair lift and a wet room		
2	Yes		
3	Yes		
4	No		
5	Worry about the stairs but that is all		

7. Do you think your current accommodation will continue to meet your needs in the longer term as you get older?

6	No because it has stairs and a bath which is very hard to get in and out of
7	No. Live in a first floor flat. Stairs are hard to get up and down
8	No
9	Yes
10	No
11	Dependent on my health in future .
12	No
13	No
14	Yes
15	At the moment yes
16	Yes until I have mobility issues
17	Possibly not, since living at the top of a steep hill is all well and good for as long as I'm in good health, but should this deteriorate to a point where my mobility is affected, then this would probably become an issue.
18	Difficult to say, because of health & disabilities may need somewhere with assistance on call
19	Yes
20	No property will become too large to manage and navigate the stairs and bathroom
21	No! Want to move to get away from nuisance neighbours
22	Access would be a concern The layout of the accommodation would not be practical for any possible future mobility issue
23	Yes
24	For the time being unless mobility gets worse
25	No, being disabled in unsuitable accommodation waiting for a bungalow is becoming much harder and more dangerous (falls on stairs, dehydration due to not drinking enough so less trips upstairs to bathroom etc)
26	Yes
27	Maybe but have got steps to get up to be able to go out
28	No
29	No, once I cannot drive I will be totally stuck.
30	Yes live in ground floor flat.
31	No as will need to be made wheelchair friendly
32	Yes
33	Unsure
34	No, I have ME and already struggling
35	Yes
36	Yes
37	Unsure

7. Do you think your current accommodation will continue to meet your needs in the longer term as you get older?

38	Not really, have 2 steps and a distance to carry items from car. Slop is too steep to self-propel in a wheelchair. Also my husband is 53 this yr and in poor health with a bad heart.		
39	No		
40	Yes		
41	Yes		
42	If a stair lift were added, yes		
43	Unsure		
44	It doesn't meet my needs now. I struggle with steps and incline. I also have a shower over the bath which I am unable to access. Q		
45	Yes		
46	No. It doesn't now. Have to deal with constant noise and drug addicts		
47	Yes I live in a bungalow		
48	No		
49	Possibly - although the garden may get too much for us.		
50	Potentially with adaptations		
		answered	50
		skipped	7

8. Would you prefer moving into a property without shared spaces and why?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	45
1	No		
2	Social interactions		
3	Social interactions		
4	Yes for privacy		
5	I'm a very private person and like to know my space is just that		
6	I like my own privacy		
7	No		
8	No		
9	Not too concerned. Shared spaces can make an area look nice.		
10	Yes for privacy		
11	Yes, privacy and having time with my family and grandchildren .		
12	Yes		
13	No		
14	Yes/no		
15	I like my privacy		

8. Would you prefer moving into a property without shared spaces and why?

16	POSSIBLY, just because I am a very independentley-spirited individual, who perhaps requires their own space(?)
17	I like my independence & my privacy - but that does not mean I wouldn't want to enjoy shared spaces some of the time
18	Yes I would prefer my own private out door space
19	Yes! Shared spaces are not for me!
20	Yes I would Ideally due to working full time I would benefit from having my own space
21	No, I like to have the option to park outside the property
22	No i like where I live.no
23	Yes i would were i live now its shared between 4 flats garden that is all ways same people keeping it tidy
24	Shared spaces can cause arguments because nobody actually owns it. Not a good idea.
25	Very nice to have an outside space, not always nice to share, and also not able to design your own little patch of garden.
26	Yes we would as I prefer my own company .As we are private people
27	Enjoy my own space
28	I prefer my own space
29	No I feel shared spaces are important to prevent isolation
30	Yes for more privacy
31	Yes for more privacy
32	No
33	We just want our own flat an not needing shared spaces nor want that.
34	Yes, allocated parking spaces are more important to us. We are happy just having our own property and our own company. Having a garden of our own is also not necessary.
35	Yes own garden really and parking . We aren't all immobile and wanting to live in neighbours pockets as we age
36	No
37	Whilst shared spaces would be nice, I would also value having my own private space.
38	No
39	I would like my own enclosed rear garden. Front are could happily be communal. I'd like to be able to hang washing on a line, only accessible by myself same as a washing machine. I think a hub on site would be great for arts, crafts and a place to meet new people
40	Don't know
41	Yes. Would rather be somewhere quieter
42	Yes, I suffer with social anxiety and have dogs, so require private space.
43	No
44	No
45	No

8. Would you prefer moving into a property without shared spaces and why?

	answered	45
	skipped	12





9. Would you want to be close to your family?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	47
	1 Yes		
	2 Yes		
	3 Yes		
	4 Yes		
	5 Yes		
	6 Yes		
	7 Yes		
	8 No		
	9 Yes.		
	10 Yes		
	11 Yes		
	12 Yes		
	13 No		
	14 Yes		
	15 Yes		
	16 Yes		
	17 IDEALLY		
	18 Not applicable		
	19 Yes		
	20 Preferable But I tried that once I left the forces, But that wasn't something the authorities thought about		
	21 Yes		
	22 Yes		
	23 Yes as they are my support system and my careers when we go out in the daytime when my husbands at work		
	24 Yes.		
	25 Unsure		
	26 If possible but not essential.		
	27 What Family ? All gone.		

9. Would you want to be close to your family?

28	Doesn't bother us as we do not want to be a burden to our children			
29	Yes			
30	Yes			
31	If possible			
32	Yes			
33	Yes			
34	Yes			
35	In a way, but my mum is Gloucester side and we like the more rural setting.			
36	No			
37	Somewhat			
38	Yes			
39	Possibly			
40	Yes			
41	I only have my son, who still lives with me.			
42	Yes			
43	Yes. However Mum recently had to relocate to Cheltenham despite being over 60 and disabled because Stroud council could not accommodate her. Disgusting!			
44	Not Particularly			
45	Yes			
46	Possibly			
47	Yes			
			answered	47
			skipped	10

11. Please specify your age:

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total	
1	40-45		23.53% 12	
2	46-50		21.57% 11	
3	51-55		50.98% 26	
4	Prefer not to answer		3.92% 2	
			answered	51
			skipped	6