Later Living

a GREAT place to call home

Loreburn Housing Association

Loreburn's Later Living homes are for those over 55 who want independent living in an easy to manage home. These properties are perfect for those who want to live as independently as possible, while having the peace of mind that comes with living amidst a friendly community. With a dedicated Later Living Officer, you will know your development is well taken care of, and you will have access to a range of tenancy services.



Loreburn has seven Later Living developments across the region, all offering a range of one and two-bedroom flats.
All developments have a lift and car parking, and some have a guest suite for visiting family and friends. You will also find a communal lounge where residents can relax and socialise together.

Later Living developments are located throughout the region:



- Gifhorn House, Dumfries
- J M Barrie House, Dumfries
- Lady's Well, Annan
- Millburn Court, Stranraer
- Nithsdale Mills, Dumfries
- Scott's Way, Castle Douglas



- We also provide a regular visiting service to Kirklea Place, Wigtown.



Features of a Later Living Development

- **Emergency alarms and technology to help maintain independence and safety.**
- Social activities and opportunities to keep you in touch with neighbours and the wider community.
- **Signposting to a range of other services which may be of interest or to help maintain independence.**
- Enhanced safety and security to ensure your home and development is a safe and comfortable place to live.
- **Easy access to housing advice, repairs reporting and a range of Loreburn services from a team of dedicated Later Living Officers.**

What Later Living Officers cannot do



Help with medication.
Personal shopping.
Assist or prepare meals or snacks.
Cleaning of your home
Help with bins.
Receive post and packages.
Help you to get washed or dressed.
Carry out financial transactions, or look after your financial affairs.

FAQs







My health is good at the moment; can I still apply for a Later Living home?
Yes. You might be planning for the future and want to know that you will have access to a 24/7 alarm service and assistance from an on-site Later Living Officer. You do not need to be in poor health to apply, although if you have some medical conditions, please let us know on your application.

What is the role of a Later Living Officer?
Our Later Living Officers provide a regular safety and security presence on site, and at our Kirklea Place development, a regular visiting service. Their role is to provide any tenancy related assistance you may need and to make sure developments offer safe, comfortable places to live and that all the health & safety and security aspects are managed to a high standard.

When are Later Living Officers available?
Each Later Living development will have an Officer whose work pattern has been agreed with residents in each development. When Later Living Officers are not on duty, residents have access to an emergency response service which may involve you nominating a responder for any personal emergencies.

I would like to socialise more; will a Later Living home give me opportunities to do this?
Yes, our Later Living Officers work alongside residents to put together a regular programme of activities and events which are all advertised within each development. You are free to join in, make suggestions and even get involved in organising events.

It sounds good, but how much does it cost?
Current rents and service charges will be advertised at the point of a vacancy being available and charges for the Later Living service are included. This charge, along with most other service charges are eligible for Housing Benefit*. (*personal charges, e.g. for heating or lighting to individual flats are not eligible for housing benefit).

I need more help around the home – what happens about that?
In a Later Living home, you are independent but have the assistance of your Later Living Officer to help signpost you to other services you might need. Officers know lots about their local areas and services and will usually be able to point you in the right direction. They cannot provide any personal support or help with shopping or cleaning for example.

It is a big decision to move; will I get help to settle in?
Please do not worry, when you move in your Later Living Officer will take time to explain all about the service and run through all the development's facilities. You will also receive a handy Welcome Guide to keep close by and your Later Living Officer will be contactable to make sure that you quickly settle in. They have access to lots of information and knowledge about other local services and if you are worried about anything, please talk to them, they may have a solution and be able to direct you to other sources of assistance.

Can you give me any help to move?
If there are any particular difficulties for you which might prevent you from moving to an otherwise perfect home then please talk to us in confidence at the earliest opportunity, we may be able direct you to other sources of assistance.

Can I have a look around to see if it is for me?
Of course, one of our Later Living Officers would be glad to show you any of the developments, please just get in touch.

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