

57789 Social Housing in the West Craigs Area (Including Turnhouse Road and Surrounding Streets)

I would like to request the following information regarding social housing in the West Craigs area of Edinburgh (including Turnhouse Road and surrounding streets):

The total number of units designated as social housing in the West Craigs area.

751 homes are owned by the Council and Registered Social Landlord (RSL) partners in the West Craigs area.

A breakdown of these units by category (e.g., general needs housing, supported accommodation, temporary accommodation, step-down/other categories if applicable).

Category	Number of Units
General Needs	660
Temporary Accommodation	39
Specialist Housing – Supported Accommodation – Mental Health Conditions	19
Specialist Housing - Older People	33
Total	751

The date(s) from which these allocations became effective.

The 19 properties commissioned by the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board were allocated through a phased approach from July 2025. The 33 temporary accommodation properties have been let on a phased basis from September 2024.

Information on allocations is not held for units owned by RSL partners. Each RSL operates their own allocation policy.

Copies of any safeguarding and risk assessments carried out in relation to social housing or supported accommodation in the West Craigs area.

We hold individual assessments of need, which are carried out for each person allocated supported accommodation under social work legislation. We consider this to be their personal information and as such will not provide this.

We do not hold information on any safeguarding or risk assessments carried out by the RSLs in relation to social housing.

Details of any incidents, complaints, or safeguarding concerns reported to the council, police, or partner agencies in connection with supported accommodation in the West Craigs area in the past six months.

Officers within the Edinburgh Health & Social Care Partnership (EHSCP) have worked with Wheatley Housing Association, Wheatley Care and Community Police to investigate recent

concerns raised. Following this investigation, we can confirm that the concerns raised do not relate to anyone living in Wheatley Care Supported Accommodation (the 19 flats commissioned by the EIJB). Officers for the EHSCP continue to work with all agencies to ensure the safety for all living in the West Craigs community.

Any policies or guidelines the council uses when determining the placement of social housing, supported accommodation, or step-down facilities near schools.

For any new residential planning application with 12 or more homes, the Council's Affordable Housing Planning policy will apply and 35% of residential units are required to be affordable, as set out in the Council's published guidance:

The location of affordable homes is agreed through the planning process and details can found on the Council's Planning Portal.

Any other documents, reports, or correspondence relating to the designation and management of social housing in the West Craigs area.

A report paper that went to the EIJB on the Reform of Serious Mental Illness Pathway where the decision was made to commission the 19 supported accommodation properties. This was agreed at the May meeting of the Board.