



FOR SHARERS

HomeShare

Women helping women!



What is Homesharing?

Are you an independant woman aged 55+ looking for safe, affordable accommodation?

If you're an independant woman aged 55+ in need of accommodation, Homesharing might be the perfect solution for you! It's an innovative way to bring women together by matching **Householders**—women with extra space in their homes—with **Homesharers** who provide companionship and light practical help in exchange for secure, affordable living. It's more than just a place to live—it's an opportunity to form meaningful connections, feel supported, and contribute to someone else's wellbeing.

WHAT DO HOMESHARERS DO?

Every match is unique but might include:

- Light practical support around the home
- Sharing meals
- Providing companionship



...and overnight presence in the home.

While you offer support, this also becomes your home. Having visitors or overnight guests is flexible and can be arranged based on the Householder's situation and the Homeshare agreement.

HOW MUCH COMMITMENT IS INVOLVED?

Homesharers continue their own daily activities but are asked to:

- Offer practical help and companionship each week
- Arrange days and evenings where you may be late or not come home
- Negotiate weekends away from the home, during which overnight presence is not required
- Commit to the arrangement for at least 6 months

Homesharers are concerned and interested in contributing to the wellbeing of the Householder



still interested?...

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STILL INTERESTED? HERE'S WHAT HAPPENS NEXT...

If you think Homesharing might be right for you, as part of the process we will:

- Invite you for a personal interview
- Contact two referees - employers, someone you've cared for, or someone who knows you well are all ideal
- Apply for a police check



We will accompany you on an introduction to a likely suitable match

THE HOMESHARE AGREEMENT

Homeshare will create a clear agreement outlining the details of your arrangement

- Sharing the cost of household bills and managing your own personal expenses (e.g: food)
- Keeping your own room and shared spaces clean and tidy
- Using your own mobile phone and internet
- The commitment is monitored by a Coordinator to ensure ongoing support



COST

Currently, there are no registration or matching fees for Householders or Homesharers. A fee structure may be introduced in the future, but it will be based on the ability to pay.



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If this sounds like a good fit for you, get in touch today!

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