

Graveley Housing Need Survey

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Conclusions

The housing need survey shows evidence of a need for affordable housing to rent; both from the housing need survey and housing register.

This cannot be met from the turnover within existing social housing. Turn over in existing social housing is low, with only one 3-bed home becoming available in the last year.

There is a particular need for elderly person bungalow accommodation.

There appear to be a number of mobile homes occupied by elderly people. Some of these expressed a need to move due to disability and the unsuitability of their housing. Others, although of similar age, did not express a need to move. It is believed that they may find themselves in the same predicament at some time in the future as their mobility decreases.

It is not known how many caravans/mobile homes are in the survey area. It is suggested that an assessment be made of likely future needs of elderly/disabled mobile home and housing association residents.

There is a small interest from the survey in market purchase or self build homes in the £100,000+ to £149,000 price bracket. It may be possible to meet this need through the availability of market homes within the wider parish. It is not known whether property in this price range is available within the older area of the Parish.

Recommendations

There appears to be a small but identified need from those who responded to the survey for bungalow accommodation for the elderly. The housing register also shows a need for one and two person homes.

A small housing scheme of up to eight homes to meet this need could be considered.

These recommendations will be reviewed when the Great Ashby survey has been completed.