

# East Lothian Health & Social Care Partnership's Care Homes

INFORMATION AND ADMISSION POLICY

East Lothian  
**Health & Social Care Partnership**



East Lothian Health & Social Care Partnership owns three residential homes and one nursing home.

## Residential Homes

### **Crookston - Tranent**

Crookston is a modern 60 bedded care home based over three floors and was opened in 2014. 40 beds are registered with the Care Inspectorate for care home residents, the remaining 20 beds are managed by the NHS and used as intermediate care beds.

All bedrooms in the care home are large single rooms with en-suite facilities that are suitable for wheelchair and hoist users. Each room is furnished with a bed, double wardrobe, chest of drawers, a lockable bed-side cabinet and an armchair. The home has the facilities in each bedroom for residents to have their own private telephone, if they wish to pay for this service.

The home is fitted with an electronic key pad system to allow entry into and out of the home. It also has a secured garden with walkways and seating areas.

### **The Abbey – North Berwick**

The Abbey is a 30 bedded home built over two floors. It offers permanent placements to 28 residents with 2 rooms reserved for respite placements. One permanent bedroom in the home is a double room. Some rooms may be suitable for wheelchair users and hoists.

Rooms in the new building all have en-suite facilities, while bedrooms situated in the old building have access to shared bathrooms and a shower. Each room has television and pay phone sockets, a washbasin and is furnished with a bed, wardrobe, dressing table, set of lockable drawers and an armchair.

Personal items such as small pieces of furniture, photographs, ornaments and pictures can be brought in to help residents feel more at home. However, it may not be possible to accommodate large items of furniture.

The home has two wheelchair accessible toilets, one on the ground floor and the other on the first floor. The top floor is accessible via a lift. The home has large gardens with a through road access to the main road. Entry to the building is by door entry system.

## **Eskgreen - Musselburgh**

Eskgreen is a 30 bedded care home built over 3 floors. The home offers permanent placements to 27 residents and 3 rooms are reserved for clients on respite placements. The home is situated in the centre of Musselburgh near the Esk River. Eskgreen has one lift which is wheelchair accessible.

Each room has a wash hand basin and a television socket. The rooms are furnished with a bed, wardrobe, dressing table, set of lockable drawers and an armchair, and you can bring small items of furniture and personal effects with you. There are shared bathrooms on each floor and a Whirlpool bath.

Due to the design and layout of the home, some bedrooms cannot be accessed by a hoist, although most can be accessed by a wheelchair. There are wheelchair accessible toilets and bathrooms on each floor.

Access into the home is available through a keypad at the front door. The home has electronic access systems installed on internal stairwells to ensure client safety.

Eskgreen has pleasant gardens and a large conservatory to make the most of its picturesque location.

## **Nursing Homes**

### **Belhaven - Dunbar**

Belhaven Nursing Home, located in West Barns, is based in a semi-rural setting in the grounds of Belhaven Hospital. The home can accommodate 11 residents. Although the nursing home is owned by East Lothian Health & Social Care Partnership, it is run by NHS nursing staff.

All facilities are on the ground floor and each bedroom is a single room with an en-suite toilet and hand basin. There are shared lounge and dining areas. The home also houses the Haven Café which offers residents a place to relax, chat and enjoy activities from the two on site activity co-ordinators. The home also offers residents hairdressing facilities as well as a sensory area.

## [How to visit a Partnership owned care home](#)

If you wish to arrange a visit to one of the Partnership's care homes you can either discuss this with your social worker or contact the home manager directly for more information and to make an appointment.

**Residents and their families should note that none of East Lothian Health & Social Care Partnership owned care homes are secure units therefore these homes may not be suited to those clients who are prone to wandering.**

Prior to a placement being offered at any of our homes, an individual assessment will be carried out by your social worker and the home manager. Your needs, the needs of other residents, the homes environment and the staffing levels will be taken into account to make sure that a placement at your chosen home would be suitable for you.

## [Admission Policy – Partnership owned homes](#)

### **WI FI/Broadband**

Wi Fi is not available in any of the homes however telephone and broadband can be installed by a provider of your choice and you will be billed directly by them.

### **Nursing Staff/GP Access**

East Lothian Health & Social Care Partnership care homes do not have nursing staff on the premises but all homes are supported by a local GP practice and have access to District Nurses when required.

### **Alcohol**

Alcohol is permitted within each of our homes, unless you have a medical reason which prohibits drinking or you lack the capacity to make an informed choice. This should be discussed prior to admission with you. However, if your behaviour while consuming alcohol affects others within the homes, this decision may be revoked.

### **Drugs**

The homes do not permit the use of illegal drugs

## **Pets**

Small pets are welcome and can be kept within your own room although must be discussed and agreed with the home manager in the first instance. You, your next of kin or carer must take full responsibility for pet cleaning and its welfare. Pets must not impact on other residents or the home. Unfortunately dogs and cats are not permitted to reside in the home, but are welcome to visit although must be kept under control at all times. Any dogs visiting the home must be kept on a lead.

## **Personal Care**

Your personal bathing preferences will be respected and documented within your care plan. However, the expectation for good skin care and regular skin checks is that you bathe or shower once a week and that your personal hygiene does not impact on you or others in the home.

## **Changing Care Needs**

If your needs change during your stay with us and you require a wheelchair or specialised seating for your condition, you should be aware that these may not be funded by the NHS. In that case, you, your next of kin or carer may have to fund this equipment privately. We will liaise with you to discuss this and find a way forward.

## **Insurance**

It is advised that you consider insurance for any personal possessions you bring with you. This should cover any breakages, loss of items or damage to personal effects such as your Television, glasses, laptops, hearing aids and mobile phones.

## **Cleaning**

We employ domestic staff to assist with cleaning duties within the home and residents rooms. We ask that you permit domestic staff into your room at least once a week to ensure the home is free from odours and remains at a high standard. We will arrange a day and time to suit your personal requirements.

## **Laundry**

The homes will launder your clothing if you wish. We ask that your clothing be machine washable and that your clothing, and any brought into the home following your admission, has personalised labels attached prior to admission.

## **Contact Details**

**Eskgreen** Shorthope Street, Musselburgh, EH21 7DB.  
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