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More Affordable Homes on the Way

East Boro Housing Trust has recently completed the purchase of a new build, thirteen unit property in central Wimborne, for use as sheltered housing.

The property adds to the Trust's portfolio of properties for older people in housing need and the new flats will be allocated to tenants at Shamrock Court, an Anchor Housing Trust scheme due to be closed down by the end of March 2009.

Chief Executive Kevin Hodder says "Last Autumn East Dorset District Council, in their capacity as the Local Authority, made local registered social landlords aware of the closure facing Shamrock Court and requested these tenants be treated as unintentionally homeless, giving them priority housing need. East Boro is only too pleased to be able to assist in finding a successful resolution to the problem and thereby alleviating any anxiety felt by those currently still living at Shamrock Court."

Already named Meadowpoint, the property on New Borough was purchased with funding from the Homes and Communities Agency as part of a housing package including two other properties.

These other properties, also in central Wimborne, will be for young single people in need of temporary accommodation. Partnership working with East Dorset District Council will provide a support package to ensure these young people are assisted to find longer term, appropriate housing for their needs.

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