

**Local Lettings Plan**  
**Sellick Court, South Molton**

Applicants should meet the following criteria:

- lettings to be made to persons over 55 (in dual households, at least one member to be over 55) with a care and/or support need
- To help achieve a balanced community we will allow under occupation which supports customer choice. Preference will be given to those applying who meet the bed space OR have a greater care need for more space.
- Priority will be given to downsizing applicants freeing up social housing in North Devon
- Priority will be given to applicants (or an applicant's dependent, spouse or bona fide partner) with a local connection to North Devon by either of the following criteria:
  - Residence. Local connection is defined as having been resident in North Devon for a minimum continuous period of 5 years. Local connection for service personnel will be considered in accordance with the Devon Home Choice policy.
  - Work in Devon:
    - To have had employment in North Devon for a continuous period of at least 5 years.
    - To have employment in North Devon in an agricultural related activity, the emergency services, as a professional healthcare or social worker or as a qualified primary or secondary school teacher
    - The Local Government Association guidelines define work as employment other than of a casual nature. For the purpose of this plan this will be defined as having had permanent work with a minimum of a 16-hour contract per week without a break in the period of employment for more than three months.

- o Strong and established links with North Devon by reason of birth or family\* and in addition still have a parent or guardian living in North Devon despite having moved away from North Devon.

\* Family connections to North Devon. The Local Government Association guidelines define this as immediate family members (parents, siblings and non-dependent children) who have themselves lived in the area for 5 years.

**Cascade** - If there are no applicants with local connection to North Devon the cascade shall immediately be expanded to applicants who meet the local connection criteria to Devon.