# **SHELTERED HOUSING**



Granary Street, Huntly, AB54 8AP



# **ABOUT GRANARY STREET**

Granary Street is located near the centre of Huntly, Aberdeenshire. The pretty town is surrounded by countryside but is handily located on the A96, around an hour's drive from Aberdeen and only 45 minutes from Elgin.

The sheltered development is made up of 28 one-bedroomed sheltered properties and four general needs properties. It is situated on both sides of Granary Street, incorporating part of the stunning original town granary building.

Properties feature double glazing and individual boiler heating systems giving central heating and a constant hot water supply to communal areas. Each flat has a radiator in every room and properties are individually metered. There are also connections for electric focal point fires in property lounges.

The kitchens feature space for an electric cooker. Residents must arrange for the installation of cookers to be undertaken by approved installers.



### What is sheltered housing?

Sheltered housing is aimed at the over 60s. Most developments have a secure main entrance and all properties have their own front doors. General needs housing is for anyone over 16 and has been built with couples or families in mind.

#### Alarm system

All properties are fitted with a community alarm system, which allows residents to summon help in an emergency.





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#### Communal facilities

Granary Street features a high quality, fully furnished communal lounge and kitchen. Residents are free to use the lounge as they please.

A communal laundry includes modern washers and tumble driers and the communal gardens also feature rotary driers.

#### Gardens

Hanover looks after the gardens however if space allows we can often make a patch available to individuals to look after.

#### **Car Parking**

There is also a limited amount of communal parking spaces, however plenty of on-street parking is available very nearby.

#### **TV Aerial**

Granary Street features a communal TV aerial, meaning there is no need to install an individual aerial.

#### Council tax

You are responsible for paying council tax directly to the local authority.

#### Guest bedroom

Granary Street features a wellequipped guest bedroom for visiting friends or relative. For a small fee to cover costs the bedroom can be booked up to two months in advance. Priority bookings are given to relatives of a resident who is ill.

### Maintenance of your property

As the landlord of the development, we are responsible for carrying out certain repairs to make sure your property and the communal areas are well maintained and that certain things are safe. You can find more information on this in the Scottish Secure Tenancy Agreement which you sign when you become a tenant.

We will ensure your property is in good condition when you move in and we expect you to maintain the internal decoration.

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# Can I bring a pet?

Pets are welcome but we must know if residents are planning to keep them. If residents have a dog they must exercise them outside the development's grounds.

#### **Tenants' Contents Insurance**

We provide contents' insurance from as little as £1.50 a month. Or, if you prefer, you can arrange for your own cover; but you must let us know if you want to do this. Get in touch with us to find out more.

#### What are Sheltered Housing Managers?

The Sheltered Housing Manager has a wide range of responsibilities, from helping out in emergencies, reporting day-to-day repairs, giving information on services we and other organisations offer and managing the day-to-day upkeep of the development.

## **Housing Officers**

Each development has a dedicated Housing Officer who acts as the main contact between the development and Hanover's offices.

They will regularly visit and meet with residents to discuss any housing or personal issues you may have.

They are more than happy to meet residents as a group or to make appointments to meet you individually in the comfort of your own home.

### **Annual Development Meeting**

Each year, we invite every resident to come to an Annual Development Meeting, usually held in the lounge or somewhere nearby. They usually take place in the autumn and it's a good opportunity for residents to discuss issues relating to the development.

#### Communications and consultations

We're committed to effective communication with residents. We promise to communicate and consult in a variety of ways, including writing, visiting residents to discuss matters or calling extra development meetings.

To find out more about Granary Street or to apply for a property, call 01343 548585 or email northinfo@hanover.scot