

# Royal Close, Chichester

Affordable homes for older adults in Chichester.

**Developer: Chichester Greyfriars Housing Association**

**Contractor: Ascia Construction**

**Completion: 2021**

**Local authority: Chichester District Council**

## The background

Chichester Greyfriars Housing Association (CGHA) has been providing affordable housing for people aged 60 and over in Chichester for more than 50 years. They are passionate about the local community and develop homes specifically for those with a connection to the city.

Royal Close is an ongoing development, with eight new homes being completed in 2021 to accompany 71 existing flats.



## The details

Royal Close has been supported with a Homes England grant of £560,000 and £160,000 from developer contributions by Chichester District Council. Another £750,000 is being put into the next phase of this development, where an additional five homes will be built supported with funding by Homes England's Affordable Homes Programme 2021 to 2026.

Royal Close is located in the town centre, close to shops and good transport links. The new homes boast green elements

too, including solar panels and enhanced energy efficiency. The homes will have an EPC rating of a high B or low A.

### Resident involvement

Existing residents at Royal Close have played a key role in the development of the eight new homes. They've shared their views on landscaping which have been included in the final design and were kept up-to-date every step of the way. Additionally, some have benefitted by moving from their current home to a new one to ensure they maintain their independence.

