



Press Release

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## **Churchill Retirement Living is granted planning permission for new development in Henleaze, Bristol.**

Retirement lifestyle specialist Churchill Retirement Living is pleased to announce that Bristol City Council has granted planning permission for a 32, one and two bedroom retirement housing development, including communal features in Henleaze Terrace, Bristol, BS9 4AS. The site, which was last used as a Builders Yard and Quarry has been disused for a number of years and the new retirement living development will regenerate the area.

The application was unanimously approved by the Planning Committee on 30 July and Councillors recognised the many benefits of the proposal which include a new zebra crossing on Henleaze Road and improvements to the road surface of Henleaze Terrace. The design of the proposal has evolved following discussions with Council Officers resulting in a high quality design suitable for this corner site. The existing stone wall around the site is to be retained and rebuilt as necessary together with a new section of pavement along Eastfield Road.

### **THE KEY BENEFITS**

- Delivery of 32 retirement living apartments, meeting existing and future need;
- Provides elderly residents with safety, security and companionship;
- Benefits the 'basket shopping economy' as its central location encourages residents to shop locally;
- Provides an attractive, bespoke building which will complement the existing streetscape;
- Allows older people to downsize and free up under occupied houses in the local area for families;
- Secures a £354,000 contribution towards affordable housing and £174,000 towards Community Infrastructure Levy.
- Creates efficiencies by allowing Health and Social Services practitioners to visit several residents at once, leading to a more effective use of public resources; and
- Discourages the use of private vehicles through its sustainable location close to facilities.

**Andrew Burgess, Director of Churchill Retirement Living comments:**

“Bristol City Council recognised the significant benefits of this retirement living development and the massive need for more privately owned retirement housing in the city. There are also important highway improvements for local residents. It was noted that this was a well designed scheme, that there will no issues with parking or impact to neighbouring houses and a substantial sum is being contributed towards off site affordable housing and Community Infrastructure Levy.”

“This is an accessible and sustainable location and future residents will be able to walk to shops and services in Henleaze. This is our third development in the Bristol area and construction will get underway later this year, with first occupations anticipated by December 2015.”

The new development will follow the same highly successful pattern of all Churchill Lodges, providing high quality, self-contained homes in landscaped grounds. Owners have the benefits of a Lodge Manager, 24 hour Careline, Owners’ Lounge, guest suite and laundry room. It is a lifestyle that is becoming increasingly sought after by people of retirement age, who enjoy freedom from household and gardening maintenance, and have the benefit of built-in sociability whilst still retaining their independence and privacy.

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Image of the proposed retirement living development.

