SITE (WITH OR WITHOUT EXISTING BUILDING) WANTED FOR SENIOR COHOUSING SCHEME IN SOUTH MANCHESTER

MANCHESTER URBAN COHOUSING (MUCH)

MUCH is a non-profit company - limited by guarantee without shares.

Our Vision is a mutually supportive and sustainable cohousing community for people aged 50 and over in a suitable location in South Manchester. Our community will consist of around 20 one and two bedroomed flats for 25 to 30 people with communal facilities. We will co-design and co-manage our community in such a way as to promote active ageing. We aim to include some affordable homes within the cohousing scheme.

Our homes and shared spaces will be designed to enable our ongoing independence, and will be designed and built using both Cohousing and HAPPi principles and to certified Passivhaus and Lifetime Homes standards. They will be affordable to live in and maintain, with access to green spaces for our well-being.

Two schemes we look to for inspiration are Lancaster Cohousing with an award winning Passivhaus intergenerational scheme, and OWCH in London with an exemplar scheme for older women.

INDICATIVE LOCATION



The ideal site will:

- > Be close to local services: shops, doctors, chemists and a leisure centre
- > Be close to public transport: with regular and reliable services to city centre and elsewhere
- > Be big enough for a shared garden
- > Have reasonable air quality: not on a busy main road or close to polluting industry

REQUIREMENTS

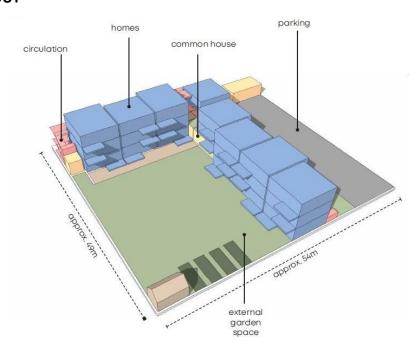
MUCH is looking for a site of around 2500 to 4000sqm in an urban area, probably brownfield, preferably a site for our sole use but would consider taking a section of a larger development.

A low carbon new-build development is the preference but retrofit would also be considered.

We are happy to consider sites which are 'difficult to develop'.

We are keen to consider MMC as a low carbon construction method.

INDICATIVE LAYOUT



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