

## ASKAM (Whinfield Place) ACCOMMODATION BUNGALOWS

### LOCAL LETTINGS POLICY

The Council currently owns 10 sheltered accommodation bungalows in Askam.

Over recent years very few vacancies have arisen in these properties and potential tenants are selected in accordance with the Cumbria Choice, Choice-Based Lettings Scheme.

Due to the small amount of this type of property being available in Askam and the lack of alternatives, this Local Lettings Policy seeks to provide priority to existing residents of Askam & Ireleth Parish Council.

#### Guidelines

Any housing applicant who is over 55 years **or** has a physical disability **and** is resident within Askam & Ireleth Parish Council or has a local connection\*, will be considered for this type of accommodation using the following priority:

1. Highest medical need – assessments will be determined by the Allocations Team in line with the current allocation policy.
2. In the event that applicants are in the same Band, the individual who has the earliest registration date and has been resident longest in Askam will be awarded priority.

Where no applicant aged 55 years or above can be found resident within Askam & Ireleth Parish Council or with a local connection the following priority should be used:

1. Resident in Dalton
2. Resident in the Borough
3. Resident outside the Borough

\* Local connection is defined as anybody who has immediate family eg: son or daughter who are resident in Askam & Ireleth Parish Council, or somebody who previously resided in Askam & Ireleth Parish Council, **and** requires the support of their family.

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