Key information about the home

There are variations of shared ownership models which have different features. The model of shared ownership may vary depending on:

- what rules were in place at the time the home was funded or planning permission granted
- where the home is located
- whether the home is for a specific group of people

Homes built specifically for people over the ages of 55 are sold on the Older Persons Shared Ownership (OPSO) scheme. They have some key differences to normal shared ownership.

The table below highlights the key features of common shared ownership schemes. The information in this document is for **Older Persons Shared Ownership** homes on the **standard model shared ownership**.

model		Standard model shared ownership	New model shared ownership
Minimum initial share	25%	25%	10%
	were issued for 99 years from new	minimum of 99 years	Leases will be for a minimum of 990 years from new
Initial repair period	No	No	Yes
Buying more shares - minimum purchase	10% or 25%	10%	5%
1% share purchase	No	No	Yes
Landlord's nomination period	8 weeks or 12 weeks	8 weeks	4 weeks

Additional features of Older Persons Shared Ownership homes

Scheme Lease Type	Older Persons Shared Ownership	
Feature	If you reach 75% ownership you no longer have to pay rent.	
Maximum % share you can own in future	75%	
Additional restrictions	For over 55s only	

When you are looking for shared ownership homes, you should always check the Key Information Document to see which model covers that specific home.

When you buy a home through shared ownership, you enter into a shared ownership lease. The lease is a legal agreement between you (the 'leaseholder') and the landlord. It sets out the rights and responsibilities of both parties.

Before committing to buy a shared ownership property, you should take independent legal and financial advice.

This key information document is to help you decide if Older Persons Shared Ownership is right for you. You should read this document carefully so that you understand what you are buying, and then keep it safe for future reference. This document 'Key information about the home' is a summary and you should consider the information in 'Summary of costs' and 'Guide to shared ownership' before making a decision.

This does not form part of the lease. You should carefully consider the information and the accompanying lease, and discuss any issues with your legal adviser before signing the lease.

Failure to pay your rent, service charge or mortgage could mean your home is at risk of repossession.

The costs in this document are the costs as at the date issued. These will increase (typically on an annual basis) and you should take financial advice on whether this will be sustainable for you.

Property Details

Address		29 Melrose Court, Peverell Avenue East, Poundbury, Dorchester, Dorset, DT1 3EX	
Property type		1 bedroom flat	
Scheme		Older Persons Shared Ownership resale	
Full market valu	ue	e £210,000.00	
Share Purchase Price and Rent Examples	The share purchase price is calculated using the full market value and the percentage share purchased. If you buy a 75% share, the share purchase price will be £157,500.00 and the rent will be £0.00 a month. When you reach 75% ownership, there is no rent payable on the remaining 25% share.		
Monthly payment to the landlord	In addition to the rent above, the monthly payment to the landlord includes: Service charge £437.36 Estate charge £0.00 Buildings insurance £4.68 Management fee £9.48 Reserve fund payment £65.88 Total monthly payment £503.24		

Reservation fee	£0.00	
Eligibility	You can apply to buy the home if all of the following apply:	
	You are 55 years old or over	
	your household income is £80,000 or less	
	you cannot afford all of the deposit and mortgage payments to buy a home that meets your needs	
	One of the following must also be true:	
	you're a first-time buyer	
	you used to own a home but cannot afford to buy one now	
	you're forming a new household - for example, after a relationship breakdown	
	you're an existing shared owner, and you want to move	
	you own a home and want to move but cannot afford to buy a new home for your needs	
	If you own a home, you must have completed the sale of the home on or before the date you complete your shared ownership purchase.	
	As part of your application, your finances and credit history will be assessed to ensure that you can afford and sustain the rental and mortgage payments.	
	Also, you must have a local connection to Dorset Council either through residency, work or family.	
Tenure	Leasehold	
Lease type	Older Persons Shared Ownership flat lease	

Lease term	117 years For more information, see section 2.5, 'Lease extensions', in the 'Key information about shared ownership' document.
Maximum share you can own	You can buy up to 75% of your home.
Transfer of freehold	As you can only reach a maximum of 75% ownership, this home will always remain leasehold.
Landlord	Abri Group Limited Collins House Bishopstoke Road Eastleigh SO50 6AD Under a shared ownership lease, you pay for a percentage share of the market value of a home. You enter into a lease agreement with the landlord, and agree to pay rent to the landlord on the remaining share.
Landlord's nomination period	When you give the landlord notice that you intend to sell your share in your home, the landlord has 8 weeks to find a buyer. The landlord may offer to buy back your share, but only in exceptional circumstances and if they have funds available. If they do not find a buyer within 8 weeks, you can sell your share yourself on the open market. For example, through an estate agent.
Pets	You cannot keep pets at the home.

Subletting

You can rent out a room in the home, but you must live there at the same time.

You cannot sublet (rent out) your entire home unless you:

have your landlord's permission which they will only give in exceptional circumstances (see section 1.5 in 'Key information about shared ownership' document)

and

have your mortgage lender's permission if you have a mortgage

Warden centred services

All residents of Melrose Court will have a personalised support package services/person delivered by Abri. Where there is an assessed care need, care providers have been appointed or care packages may be delivered to help with personal care. There is however no core care provision in the building.

> If you fund your own care provider, you will continue to do so with a provider of your choice.

> If you live in Dorset and have a car package funded by ASC, you will have to accept the care provider on the scheme.

If you are outside of Dorset and in receipt of care funded by your local authority they will need to agree to continue funding your care or Dorset local authority will need to agree to fund it.

If you don't have a care package, believe you need one and can't fund it, you will need to be assessed by adult social care who will decide on the level of care you receive.