LIVE-IN CARE · BRIDGWATER, SOMERSET

Live-in care in Bridgwater

Fully managed live-in care in Bridgwater and the villages around it, arranged by our care team after a free assessment (01865 715780), plus how to ask Somerset Council for an assessment, the urgent treatment centre at Bridgwater Community Hospital and the A&E in Taunton, and local help with memory, carers, transport and hospice care.

From £1,550 a week

Free initial assessment · A written quote before care begins



IN BRIEF

Day and Nightcare provides fully managed live-in care in Bridgwater, from £1,550 a week. A dedicated live-in carer lives in your home, supporting you through the day and close by at night, and our CQC-registered care team plans, supervises and reviews the care. The initial assessment is free.

OUR CARE, WHERE YOU LIVE

Our live-in care in Bridgwater

Live-in care means one-to-one support in your own home: personal care, medication support, meals, help around the house, getting out and about, and someone close by at night. Whether it suits the person, and whether one carer can support a couple, is worked out at the free assessment. Read more in live-in care explained and how it works day to day.

Dementia care | Care after hospital | End-of-life care | Care for couples | Respite care | Costs and funding

How we arrange live-in care in Bridgwater

Day and Nightcare provides fully managed live-in care in Bridgwater and the villages around it, from £1,550 a week. One main carer lives in the home; a relief carer covers their holidays and time off, and a manager is on call. Care starts with a free assessment, a written quote and a written care plan.

Care can be paid for privately, by Somerset Council (including direct payments) or by NHS Continuing Healthcare. We have provided Discharge to Assess (D2A) care since 2014. If someone is in hospital, tell us the expected discharge date (see care after hospital). Our care team is on 01865 715780.

Arranging care and funding in Bridgwater

Somerset Council runs adult social care in Bridgwater. To ask for a care needs assessment, call **0300 123 2224** (Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5pm), or use the council's online Public Referral to Adult Social Care form, for yourself or someone else. The needs assessment is free, and anyone can ask for one. To speak to a social worker out of hours, call 0300 123 23 27. You can also talk to someone from Adult Social Care at a Talking Café.

If the council may help to pay, a financial assessment follows. With more than £23,250 in savings your relative would usually pay in full, though the home is not counted for care at home. People paying their own way are asked to contact the council as soon as their savings drop to £30,000; if they ask the council to arrange care, it will normally charge an arrangement fee. See council funding for care.

A family carer can ask for a carer's assessment on the same number, alone or jointly with the person they care for. For equipment, the nearest Independent Living Centre is in the Taunton Library hub, with free occupational therapy appointments booked on the same number.

Somerset Council also collects council tax. Someone who is severely mentally impaired, and a carer living in the home, may not be counted, and there is a disabled band reduction for adapted homes. See council tax discounts for care.

Urgent care and leaving hospital in Bridgwater

- **Urgent treatment centre:** Bridgwater Community Hospital, Bower Lane (01278 436 555), open seven days a week 8am to 9pm (last patient 8pm). Walk in; you may be offered a booked appointment for later that day. X-ray 8.30am to 5pm on weekdays and 9am to 5pm at weekends. It is not an A&E, and hours can change, so check NHS 111 first.
- **A&E:** Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton, open 24 hours every day for all ages.
- **Minor injuries nearby:** the unit at Burnham-on-Sea War Memorial Hospital is open 10am to 6pm (last patient 5.30pm), with no X-ray.

Before your relative leaves hospital, ask the ward staff, who can arrange for someone from Adult Social Care to see them. The council's Health Interface Service works with the Somerset Home First model: reablement at home or a short stay in a reablement unit. Home First is free for no longer than six weeks.

If needs are mainly health needs, ask about NHS Continuing Healthcare: NHS Somerset's team is on 01935 38 5233, option 1 (option 4 for Fast Track). For NHS transport to appointments, the Patient Transport Advice Centre is on 01278 727444 (weekdays 8.30am to 6.30pm).

Local help in Bridgwater

Carers' services, dementia support, transport, befriending and other local help, with phone numbers.

- **Memory worries.** The GP can refer to Somerset NHS Foundation Trust's Dementia Assessment and Support Service (Sedgemoor team 0300 124 5601, option 1; Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm). Dementia Support Somerset (Alzheimer's Society) is on 01458 251541 (weekdays 9am to 5pm). The Age UK Somerset Singers meet on Thursdays in Bridgwater; everyone is welcome, including people living with dementia and their carers (01823 345610). See live-in care for dementia.
- **Carers.** Somerset Carers Service is free for unpaid carers aged 18 and over (Advice Line 0800 31 68 600).
- **Getting about.** Slinky Digital, the council's bookable bus for Sedgemoor, is for journeys without a public bus, 7.30am to 5.30pm. Register and book by app or online, or on 01823 331266 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm), at least an hour and up to two weeks ahead. Fares are £2.20 up to 3 miles and £2.80 over, less with a concessionary pass. For hospital trips, see the questions below.

- **Hospice care.** St Margaret's Hospice Care has a community team in Bridgwater; its care is free, and its 24-hour Advice Line, 01823 333822, is for anyone with a life-limiting illness registered with a Somerset GP. See end-of-life care at home.
- **Advice and company.** Age UK Somerset offers free advice, a free benefits check for over-60s and a free volunteer Wellbeing Service for over-60s who live alone. Healthwatch Somerset (0800 999 1286) takes feedback on local services.

USEFUL LOCAL CONTACTS

Useful contacts in Bridgwater

The council, NHS teams, hospitals and local services you are most likely to need in Bridgwater, with links to their official pages. Open any heading for the details.

Council and care assessments

Adult social care in Bridgwater is arranged by Somerset Council. Anyone who appears to need care can ask for a free care needs assessment, whatever their savings. If the council funds care, you can usually take it as a direct payment and use it for live-in care from us.

- **Somerset Council:** ask for a care needs assessment (telephone 0300 123 2224); carer's assessment.

NHS Continuing Healthcare

When someone's main need is a health need, the NHS pays for all of their care through NHS Continuing Healthcare, and it is not means-tested. For Bridgwater it is arranged by NHS Somerset Integrated Care Board (Continuing Healthcare information). See our NHS Continuing Healthcare guide.

Hospitals near Bridgwater

If someone is in hospital, tell us the expected discharge date as early as you can, and we will work with you and the discharge team on when live-in care can start.

- Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunton: Parkfield Drive, Taunton TA1 5DA; switchboard 01823 333444. A&E open 24 hours, every day (NHS website, last confirmed 9 July 2026). (leaving hospital information)
- Bridgwater Community Hospital: Bower Lane, TA6 4GU; 01278 436 555 (8am to 9pm, 7 days). Inpatient wards give a countywide short-term rehabilitation service as part of Home First; outpatient clinics include a memory clinic.
- Bridgwater Urgent Treatment Centre: At Bridgwater Community Hospital, Bower Lane; 01278 436 555. Every day 8am to 9pm (last patient 8pm), may close early; walk in, though a booked appointment for later that day may be offered. X-ray 8.30am to 5pm weekdays, 9am to 5pm weekends. Not an A&E.
- Burnham-on-Sea Minor Injury Unit: Burnham-on-Sea War Memorial Hospital, 6 Love Lane, TA8 1ED; 01278 773103. Every day 10am to 6pm (last patient 5.30pm), may close early; walk in; no X-ray. Not an A&E.
- St Margaret's Hospice Care: A hospice community team is based in Bridgwater; the specialist In-Patient Unit is at the Taunton Hospice Hub. 24-hour Advice Line 01823 333822 or 01935 709480.

Local support and charities

- Somerset Carers Service: Carers' support (0800 31 68 600)
- Dementia Assessment and Support Service (Sedgemoor): Dementia support (0300 124 5601 (option 1))
- Dementia Support Somerset (Alzheimer's Society): Dementia support (01458 251541)
- Age UK Somerset: Age UK (01823 345610)
- Slinky Digital, Sedgemoor: Community transport (01823 331266)
- Mendip Community Transport: Community transport (01749 880613)
- Thrive Village Agents: Community support (01823 331 222)
- Healthwatch Somerset: Healthwatch: your independent voice on health and care (0800 999 1286)

Council tax

Council tax in Bridgwater, including discounts for people with a severe mental impairment, for disabled people and for some carers, is handled by Somerset Council. See council tax discounts for care.

Villages around Bridgwater

Wembdon · Durleigh · Chilton Trinity · Cannington · North Petherton · Bawdrip · Chedzoy · Westonzoyland · Dunwear · Horsey · Spaxton · Nether Stowey

YOUR QUESTIONS

Questions about live-in care in Bridgwater

Who do I call in Bridgwater to ask for a care assessment?

Call Somerset Council on 0300 123 2224 (Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5pm) and ask for adult social care. To speak to a social worker out of hours, call 0300 123 23 27. Somerset Council runs adult social care and also collects council tax. A family carer can ask for a carer's assessment on the same number.

Is there an A&E in Bridgwater?

No. Bridgwater Community Hospital on Bower Lane has an urgent treatment centre, open every day 8am to 9pm (last patient 8pm), with X-ray for part of the day. It is not an A&E. The nearest A&E, open 24 hours, is at Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton. Hours can change at short notice, so check NHS 111 first; in a life-threatening emergency, call 999.

Is there help getting to hospital appointments from Bridgwater?

Yes. Mendip Community Transport runs accessible vehicles and a hospital car service for people living in Mendip and Sedgemoor; register first, then book, usually at least 24 hours ahead (01749 880613, 9am to 4pm). Slinky Digital also takes bookings across Sedgemoor for journeys without a public bus.

How much does live-in care cost in Bridgwater?

Live-in care with Day and Nightcare costs from £1,550 a week in Bridgwater, the same as everywhere in England, for one person with a carer who rests at night. That includes our care team's management (the assessment, care plan, reviews, supervision and the on-call manager) and the carer's food; break cover and the carer's travel are extra. For a couple it is from £1,800 a week, where one carer can safely meet both partners' needs. You receive a written quote after a free assessment.

Can the council help pay for live-in care in Bridgwater?

Yes, if the person's care needs meet the national eligibility criteria and their savings are below £23,250 (2026/27). Adult social care in Bridgwater is arranged by Somerset Council. Ask for a care needs assessment; if you are eligible, council funding can usually be taken as a direct payment and used for live-in care from us.

Can live-in care start when someone leaves Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunton?

It can. Tell us the expected discharge date as early as you can, and we will work with you and the ward's discharge team on when live-in care can start. We can often start within 24 to 48 hours of the assessment, depending on carer availability, and we confirm the start date once a carer is arranged. We have provided Discharge to Assess (D2A) care since 2014.

Sources and further information

- Somerset NHS Foundation Trust: Urgent treatment centres (UTC)
- Somerset NHS Foundation Trust: Community hospitals
- Somerset Council: Equipment to help you
- Somerset Council: Slinky services
- Age UK Somerset: Age UK Somerset
- NHS website: Musgrove Park Hospital: Accident and emergency services
- Somerset Council: Slinky Digital: Sedgemoor
- Somerset Council: Carers assessments
- Somerset Council: Contact us
- Somerset Council: Paying for your care
- Somerset Council: Report an adult at risk
- Somerset Council: Care and support assessment
- Thrive (Community Council for Somerset): Help and advice: Village Agents and Talking Cafés

- Somerset Council: Financial assessment
- Somerset Council: Council Tax discounts and exemptions
- Somerset Council: Help after a stay in hospital
- Somerset Council: Health Interface Service
- NHS Somerset Integrated Care Board: Continuing Healthcare
- Frome Town Council: Community cars and assisted travel
- NHS Somerset Integrated Care Board: Patient transport
- NHS website: Yeovil District Hospital: Accident and emergency services
- Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust: Emergency Department / A&E: contact us
- Somerset NHS Foundation Trust: Dementia assessment and support service (DASS)
- Alzheimer's Society: Dementia Support Somerset
- Somerset Council: Carers in Somerset
- Somerset Carers Service (Thrive): Somerset Carers: free information and support for carers
- St Margaret's Hospice Care: 24-hour Advice Line
- St Margaret's Hospice Care: St Margaret's Hospice Care (home page)
- St Margaret's Hospice Care: Hospice services in Somerset
- Somerset Council: Community transport in Somerset
- Healthwatch Somerset: Contact us
- Mendip Community Transport
- Somerset NHS Foundation Trust: Contact us (switchboards)
- NHS website: Getting a care needs assessment

Price

From £1,550 a week

Covers

Bridgwater and nearby villages

CQC rating

Good

Assessment

Free, with no obligation

Live-in care elsewhere in Somerset

All of Somerset · Bath · Taunton · Yeovil · Weston-super-Mare · Frome · Wells · Minehead · Glastonbury · Street · Chard · Burnham-on-Sea · Shepton Mallet · Clevedon · Portishead · Nailsea · Keynsham · Midsomer Norton

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