LIVE-IN CARE · TAUNTON, SOMERSET

Live-in care in Taunton

Fully managed live-in care in Taunton 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 24-hour A&E at Musgrove Park and the nearest urgent treatment centre, 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 Taunton, 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 Taunton

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 Taunton

Day and Nightcare provides fully managed live-in care in Taunton 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 Taunton

Somerset Council runs adult social care in Taunton. 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. The Independent Living Centre at the Taunton Library hub on Paul Street offers free appointments with an occupational therapist to try equipment, 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 Taunton

- **A&E:** Musgrove Park Hospital, Parkfield Drive, open 24 hours every day for all ages (switchboard 01823 333444).
- **Urgent treatment centre:** there is none in Taunton itself. The nearest is at Bridgwater Community Hospital, Bower Lane (01278 436 555), open seven days a week 8am to 9pm (last patient 8pm); you may be offered a booked appointment for later that day. It is not an A&E, and hours can change, so check NHS 111 first.

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 Taunton

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 (Taunton and West Somerset team 0300 124 5606, Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm). Memory Cafe Taunton, run by the Alzheimer's Society for people with dementia, carers, family and friends, meets fortnightly on Tuesdays, 10am to noon, at St James Church Hall, St James Street (ask about costs on 01458 251541). Age UK Somerset's Memory Connections group at St George's Catholic Church, Billetfield, is for people with mild to moderate dementia or memory problems without a diagnosis (01823 345218 for times). 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 Taunton and Wellington, runs 7.30am to 5.30pm. Anyone can use it: 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.

- **Hospice care.** St Margaret's Hospice Care's Taunton Hospice Hub on Heron Drive gives free care; 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 (01823 345610) 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; Monday to Thursday 9am to 5pm, Friday to 3pm) takes feedback on local health and care services.

USEFUL LOCAL CONTACTS

Useful contacts in Taunton

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

Council and care assessments

Adult social care in Taunton 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 Taunton it is arranged by NHS Somerset Integrated Care Board (Continuing Healthcare information). See our NHS Continuing Healthcare guide.

Hospitals near Taunton

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)
- Dene Barton Community Hospital: Dene Road, Cotford St Luke TA4 1DD; 01823 431930. Outpatient clinics only (including care of the older person, Parkinson's and stroke).
- Wellington Community Hospital: Bulford, Wellington TA21 8QQ; 01823 662663. Outpatient clinics only; no public parking on site except 2 disabled bays.
- Bridgwater Urgent Treatment Centre: No urgent treatment centre in Taunton itself. Bridgwater Community Hospital's urgent treatment centre, Bower Lane: 01278 436 555; open 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 and 9am to 5pm at weekends; not an A&E. Check NHS 111 for current hours.
- St Margaret's Hospice Care, Taunton Hospice Hub: Heron Drive, TA1 5HA; 01823 333822. Specialist In-Patient Unit (admissions by need, from anywhere in Somerset), day hospice and community teams; free. 24-hour Advice Line on 01823 333822 for people with a Somerset GP.

Local support and charities

- Somerset Carers Service: Carers' support (0800 31 68 600)
- Dementia Assessment and Support Service (Taunton and West Somerset): Dementia support (0300 124 5606)
- Memory Cafe Taunton (Alzheimer's Society): Dementia support (01458 251541)
- Memory Connections, Central Taunton (Age UK Somerset): Dementia support (01823 345218)
- Age UK Somerset: Age UK (01823 345610)
- Slinky Digital, Taunton and Wellington: Community transport (01823 331266)
- 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 Taunton, 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 Taunton

Bishops Hull · Staplegrove · Trull · Norton Fitzwarren · Monkton Heathfield · Bishops Lydeard · Cotford St Luke · Creech St Michael · Kingston St Mary · Cheddon Fitzpaine · Ruishton · North Curry

YOUR QUESTIONS

Questions about live-in care in Taunton

Who do I call in Taunton 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, alone or jointly with the person they care for.

Where is the A&E for Taunton?

At Musgrove Park Hospital on Parkfield Drive, Taunton TA1 5DA. The NHS website lists its A&E as open 24 hours, every day, for all ages. For anything less urgent, call NHS 111 first. There is no urgent treatment centre in Taunton itself; the nearest is at Bridgwater Community Hospital, open every day 8am to 9pm (last patient 8pm). In a life-threatening emergency, call 999.

Is there a hospice in Taunton?

Yes. St Margaret's Hospice Care's Taunton Hospice Hub on Heron Drive has the hospice's specialist In-Patient Unit, and admissions are assessed by need wherever in Somerset the person lives. Most of its care, which is free, is given at home or in the community. The 24-hour Advice Line, 01823 333822, is for anyone with a life-limiting illness who is registered with a Somerset GP; you can call on someone's behalf.

How much does live-in care cost in Taunton?

Live-in care with Day and Nightcare costs from £1,550 a week in Taunton, 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 Taunton?

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 Taunton 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
- NHS website: Musgrove Park Hospital: Accident and emergency services
- Somerset NHS Foundation Trust: Musgrove Park Hospital
- Somerset NHS Foundation Trust: Contact us (switchboards)
- Alzheimer's Society: Memory Cafe Taunton
- Alzheimer's Society (dementia directory): Memory Connections, Central Taunton (Age UK Somerset)
- Somerset Council: Slinky Digital: Taunton and Wellington
- 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
- Age UK Somerset: Age UK Somerset
- Healthwatch Somerset: Contact us
- NHS website: Getting a care needs assessment

Price

From £1,550 a week

Covers

Taunton and nearby villages

CQC rating

Good

Assessment

Free, with no obligation

Live-in care elsewhere in Somerset

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

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