

## Who can apply

Trustees allocate accommodation based on the applicant's circumstances and the benefit likely to be derived from membership of the Almshouse community.

Residents need to live in or have a connection with the Frome area, wish to be part of a community and be 'in need'. Generally the trustees consider economic hardship to mean that a person is not able to buy a similar property in Frome.

Residents need to be capable of independent living as no care facilities are provided by the Trust and there is no warden on site.

## How to apply

For further information and to request an application pack please contact the Blue House Manager

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# The Blue House

## Frome

An Almshouse Housing  
Scheme



[Registered Charity number 1165878](#)

# History

The Blue House was founded about 1470 by William Leversedge to provide accommodation for 12 poor men and women, each of whom was provided with a room. The premises were rebuilt by the Trustees in 1621. The present Georgian structure dates from 1728 when a school was incorporated. The Blue House gets its name from the colour of the tunics worn by the pupils. Its role as a school ceased in 1921.

Major restoration and improvements followed in 1964/5 and 1993/4, the latter refurbishment being followed by a visit from HRH The Prince of Wales. A public appeal was launched in 1997 and as a result works to improve security, replace the lift, refurbish the roof and exterior decoration was completed in 1999. Refurbishment and repair is continually required to maintain this Grade 1 listed building and to provide comfortable and suitable accommodation for the residents.

The Blue House is administered by a voluntary Board of Trustees. It is a Registered Social Landlord, registered with the Regulator of Social Housing, affiliated to the Almshouse Association and is a Registered Charity.

# What we offer

- Accommodation for 18 residents
- Large secluded garden
- Town centre location
- Easy access to shops and buses



- Only Council Tax, phone bills & TV licence as extra
- Your own front door within a safe community
- Guest room for relatives
- Social activities



- Security entry system
- Staff on-site on weekday mornings
- 24 Hour emergency call

