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I was asked by Home Orchard Managers to carry out the resident's satisfaction surveys for quality assurance purposes. This is a report of the results.

This is the second year I have facilitated the resident's satisfaction surveys. Last year I met with the managers and administration team to discuss having an electronic version of the survey so that residents could opt to carry out the survey on their tablets or computers.

It was suggested it could be trialled this year and I was sent a link of the e-survey to familiarise myself with the procedure before going ahead with the residents. I thought it was very clear and many of the residents would be able to use it if they chose to.

On January 16<sup>th</sup> 2019 I met with all the residents and have written their individual feedback in the table below. I have used the format of the questionnaire to record the resident's responses to the 20 questions. I have used colours to differentiate between the houses. Sunset Cottage, Palace Farm, Summer Cottage and Lynwood.

		(	Sunset Cottage	9	Palace	Palace Farm Summer Cottage		Lynwood				
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1. Does your house look nice outside?	Yes. Newton abbot tesco shopping costa coffee I go to Dawlish train station I go to Exeter museums romans birds parrot cockatiels grey cream dogs puppy	Yes	yes	Yes. Need to move the cones when drive is done.	yes	yes Your home	Yes	yes	Unwillin g to take part	yes	yes	yes
2. Does your house look nice inside?	sheepdog.  No. Bovey tracey house of marbles café farm chicken sheep horse stable dog mary mai 2 dogs.	yes	yes	Yes. Fire alarm goes off smoke in kitchen	yes	yes	Yes. Like the historical aspects of the building.	yes		yes	yes	yes
3. Does the garden look	No. I go to ivybridge endsleigh	Yes. Enjoy the garden, bbq's	yes	Yes. Like to have a bbq	yes	Yes. I help with keeping keeping the	Yes. Not interested in spending	yes		yes	Yes. Nice garden to sit in, help	Play football- in garden and use sensory

nice?	flower pot	water,		sometime		garden	time in it.			with	room.
	café latte	croquet,		S.		looking nice.	Particularly			mowing,	
	living	football.					more			like bbg's	
	room sun						interested in			•	
	room.						whats				
							underneath.				
4. Is it a	Yes.	yes	Yes.	Yes.	yes	yes	Yes.	Yes.	yes	yes	yes
nice	watch tv	yes	Its fun here	Like	yes	yes	don't get on	I'm really	yes	yes	Yes
place to	Paddingto		but like to				with house	· ·			
l -	_			meetings			mateall the	happy			
live?	n station,		visit	with				living at			
	one show,		parents -	mandy			time but ok	Summer			
	pointless,		feels like	they are			mostly.	Cottage.			
	strictly		I've got 2	private. I			Helps to talk				
	come		homes.	can talk to			to staff or				
	dancing.		Looking	mandy			have space				
			forward to	and john.			to myself.				
			30 <sup>th</sup>								
			birthday.								
5. Do you	Yes.	Yes. Help	Occasionall	Staff do	yes	yes.	Sometimes	Yes.	Shoppin	Yes.	Tesco food
do things	Burger	with all	y cleaning.	mostly.		Help make	go to the	Cooking –	g and	Help with	shopping-
like	onion rings	the house	Like to	Don't like		soup. With	supermarket	bake cakes	cleaning	recycling	help with
shopping	peas	work.	cook	shopping.		help clean	, share the		not	31,1 0	hovering-
, cooking	gammon		pancakes.	gr		my room.	housework.		cooking.		helps with
and	eggs peas		Food			Would like	nousework.		cooking.		safer tasks.
cleaning?	pizza and		shopping.			to learn					Saici tasks.
cleaning:	salad		Shopping.			about food					
	mayonnais e sandwich					shopping.					
6. Are	myself. Yes.	VOC	Yes.	Yes.	VOC	VOC	Yes.	VOC	Yes.	VOC	Not sure if
	Rescue	yes	Would like	Money is	yes	yes	Presume	yes	Likes to	yes	question
your				•					look		understood
things safe like	dogs alan davies		a big tv.	kept in a safe. A			people are		after his		understood
							trustworthy.				
money,	walk.			new door					things in		
tv and				lock is					his		
clothes?				being					room.		
				fitted.							
7. Do you	Yes.	Yes.	yes	No.	yes	yes	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.

have enough to eat and drink?	Cod chips peas cup of coffee white sugar spaghetti Bolognese.	Like latte.		Would like more coffee but shouldn't.			Can't eat large meals. Adequate drinks.	I would like more coffee but it gives me a poorly tummy.	Weight is fine.	Can help myself to fruit between meals.	Good appetite – will show staff if he wants more.
8. Is the food good?	Yes. Sausage mash peas and carrots.	Yes. like chicken.	yes	No. Don't like too many veg – upsets my stomach.	Yes	yes	Yes. Some things I don't like but always have another option.	Yes. Curry (if not too hard), fish pie, sweet and sour, cottage pie.	yes	Yes. Really good. Like spaghetti, sausage rolls.	Likes most things.
9. Do you choose the food you want to eat?	Yes. Pasta sausage.	Yes. Choose from pictures.	Sometimes . Staff make suggestion s.	No. Staff do that.	Yes. Spaghetti Bolognes e.	Yes. Make choice from pictures.	yes	Yes. Take it in turns. Staff give guidance.	Yes. Use picture cards. Likes sweet and sour, cottage pie, not keen on salad.	Yes. Take it in turns.	Stew. Use picture cards. Take it in turns to choose.
10. Is your home clean?	Yes. Polish table cupboards hoover.	yes	yes	No. Builders make a mess.	yes	yes	yes	Yes. Sometime s.	yes	yes	Not sure if question understood.
11. Is your home warm?	Yes. Electric fire.	yes	yes	Yes. We have a fire.	yes	yes	Can be too hot or too cold occasionally but mostly ok.	Yes.	yes	yes	Will take layers off if hot but need prompting to put clothes on.

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12. Do you like your own bedroom ?	Yes. Clean bed sheets pillow hoover polish cupboards clean toilet bathroom sink shower.	yes	yes	Yes.		yes	yes	Yes.	У	yes	yes	Yes. New dvd player with flat screen
13. Do people knock before they enter your room?	No. do it yourself own shower 7am downstairs 7.30am.	yes	Sometimes , but always call.	Yes.	yes	yes	Not always	yes	У	yes	Yes	Not sure if question understood.
14. Do you take part in activities outside the home?	Yes. I go catch train I go to Plymouth station pumpkin café. catch bus I go to newton abbot wh smiths shop newspaper western morning news costa	Yes. Pub, café, eat out, Olympics, hockey, riding, swimmin g, climbing.	yes	Yes. Walk to hardware shop to get batteries. Olympics.	Yes. Go shopping, daisy chain play games with children.	Yes. Woodcarvin g, bee club, help with the garden, go to gym and swimming.	Fishing less these days. Going out for meals. Don't swim any more.	Yes. Go swimming, walking	A a	Yes. As much as possible	Yes. Sometimes go on the bus, go to the beach at Teignmout h, walk on the moors. Like hot chocolate in Costa.	Yes. Olympics, walking group, football, pool, swimming.

15. Do you get	coffee lemon tart and latte whit sugar. Yes. i go	No answer	Yes. Enjoyed	yes	yes	yes	Not always.	yes	yes	Yes. Like going	Yes. Shows if he's
to choose your outings and activities ?	Dartmoor walk tors I go torquay ten bowling 75 high score.		going to the cinema.							to the cimema.	enjoying things by participating g, smiling and laughing.
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16. Do the staff give you good help and support?	Yes. Kirsty Paul Ollie and staff philly louise dawson mandy Pauline susan Maggie karelyn.	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	Sometimes. Level of support to do things can have a negative impact on others.	Yes. Sometime s.	yes	yes	Not sure if question understood.
17. Do you like the way the staff speak to you?	Yes. Speak laptop watch trains newton abbot you tube.	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	Not always- I suffer from depression.	yes	yes	yes	Not sure if question understood.
18. Do the staff listen to you?	Yes. Noise very good voice house own	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	sometimes	yes	yes	yes	Not sure if question understood.

	room.										
19. Do the staff share with you the notes they write about you?	Yes. Diary write pencil.	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	They say we can look at it.sometimes don't think they take all factors into consideratio n.	yes	yes	Yes Shared if requested.	Not sure if question understood.
20. Do staff encourag e you to keep fit and healthy?	Yes. Oranges bananas fruit apple potatoes carrot roast chicken cornflakes malted wheat marmalad e on toast.	yes	yes	yes	Yes. Go walking swimmin g healthy food, fruit and veg.	yes	Yes. They make suggestions.	yes	Yes. Loves walking.	Yes. I have some anxiety about going out.	Not sure if question understood.

## **Additional comments**

Two of the residents completed the e-survey, one on his computer and the other on his tablet. One in particular seemed to engage better with the process compared with the paper version last year. He found his way around the form ok, but it took him a while to understand that the 'comments' section was specific to the question. Consequently his responses to questions 1 – 7 appear to be about what he enjoys in his life day to day. A possible explanation for this may be because when we started the exercise I said the questions were about his home and the things he liked or disliked about it. So he has written the things he likes.

We did not remove his responses as I didn't want to discourage him from writing his thoughts down. Last year his responses were more limited. As we went through the questionnaire I continued to encourage question specific responses and eventually his answers related to the questions, from 8 onwards. He seemed quite keen to get through the questionnaire (possibly because he was going out?) I did try to ask him about his answers but he preferred to continue writing and moving on to the next question. Consequently he did not elaborate on his reason for a negative answer for question 4 about the garden.

With hindsight I would have spent longer preparing the residents for the questionnaire process, both paper and electronic versions. I discussed with Rob whether the timings of the residents meetings could be adjusted so one could be held just before the next survey date in order to explain it more thoroughly. I think this could achieve better responses as the residents will have had time to consider the questions for longer beforehand, and have a better understanding of what the exercise is about.

One resident did not want to take part this year and did not appear to understand the idea of the survey. Also it was suggested we use the garden shed office and she did not appear comfortable in that environment without staff. I think all the residents were naturally more relaxed in their own homes. Also, having familiar surroundings that are relevant to the questions can make them more meaningful, and give the opportunity to point to the specific places and things, to aid residents understanding. A few residents were accompanied by staff who explained how they knew if the person liked or disliked something from their behaviour.

Some of the residents appeared not to understand certain concepts, e.g. safety, support, privacy, and although those people may have answered yes or no, I am not sure they understood the question. More reliable feedback in such cases may come from observing the residents' responses to different environments, situations, activities and interactions; the kind of information shown in the residents support plans. (In some homes, where service users have more complex needs, independent quality monitoring can be achieved through unannounced visits.)

Finally, I wondered if additional questions could be considered which relate to learning new skills, developing independence, and maintaining contact with family and friends.