



yes  
to independence

## Bentham Close

Blackburn, Lancashire

Life-changing supported living  
at the heart of the community

**lifeways**  
yes to you



**“Bentham Close is a very cosy house with a very welcoming atmosphere. The people we support here have developed a real friendship. All of the staff help everyone to achieve their individual goals while living in a safe, supported and secure environment.”**

Manager, Bentham Close

# Welcome to Bentham Close

**Bentham Close is a three-bedroom bungalow where people are supported to live independently.**

The property has a kitchen, an open-plan living room and dining area, a conservatory, and a wetroom style bathroom. Bentham Close also has an accessible garden with a patio and BBQ for people to use when the weather is good.

There is also a resident cat.

When you choose supported living, you're choosing to live independently, in your own home. There's peace of mind in knowing the Lifeways team is on-hand whenever they're needed, providing tailored support that helps people to lead more fulfilling, independent lives, surrounded by like-minded people.



Life at Bentham Close is suitable for people with brain injuries, learning or neurological disabilities, mental health conditions, physical disabilities, and autism.

Bentham Close currently supports two women aged 21 and 58 who live with learning disabilities. One enjoys going out with her friends, shopping and socialising. The other is a wheelchair user who enjoys karaoke, watching films, visiting the community centre and going to church.

Bentham Close is ready to welcome another woman to join the people we support here.

# Valued in your community

**There are few things more rewarding than feeling like an active and valued part of the community.**

Bentham Close is in a residential area with peaceful surroundings. There is a canal close by, where people can enjoy beautiful walks. The local area has cafes, pubs and restaurants, as well as a post office and a library.

Blackburn is easily accessible from the property and offers the Empire Theatre, museums and art galleries, a Vue cinema, Planet Ice for skating, the Mall Shopping Centre and Market, Tenpin Blackburn for bowling, and many historical landmarks. For people who like to stay active, Blackburn Sports and Leisure Centre provides year-round access to a gym and swimming pool.

Blackburn is home to Royal Blackburn Hospital which has specialist services for adult mental illness, stroke, dementia, and occupational therapy.

Nearby Preston also offers a range of attractions including St George's and Fishergate shopping centres, an Odeon cinema, and the Creative Space Centre - the UK's largest multi-sensory centre for people with special needs. There are three sensory rooms, all with modern lighting and sound projection equipment, a social and eating area and beautiful gardens.

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## It's good to know...



We're in Mill Hill, which has easy access to amenities in the surrounding areas.



For supermarkets, Aldi, Sainsbury's Local and Spar are close by. Blackburn also has an Asda, Lidl, Morrisons and Tesco.



The GP surgery and NHS dentist is within one mile of the property.



There is onsite parking available for people with cars.



The nearby train station is a ten-minute walk and has regular services to Preston, Blackburn and Blackpool.



There's a bus stop within a short walk, with routes into Blackburn, Accrington and Chorley.



A photograph of two women walking together outdoors. The woman on the left is wearing a dark blue t-shirt, a black and white floral patterned cardigan, and black pants. She has her hair in a bun and is wearing glasses. The woman on the right is wearing a maroon hoodie and a floral patterned skirt. She is holding the hand of the woman on the left. They are walking on a path with large rocks and a building in the background.

# yes to friendships

**“Since living at a Lifeways service I have become more confident and independent. I am able to make everyday decisions with the help from my team, who support me in a consistent way; this is very important to me. My self-esteem has grown with the support I receive and I couldn’t be happier.”**

Person supported by Lifeways

# Five reasons to choose Lifeways

## **yes to stability.**

Our stability speaks for itself. Since 1995 we've grown to become the UK's largest provider of supported living for adults. So when you're comparing providers, it's good to know that our steadfast support is founded on over 25 years of proven outcomes.

## **yes to reassurance.**

Our size brings reassurance. It allows us to invest in our people and services. And it's the reason we've been able to open 900 new apartments in 65 communities since 2015. Everyone deserves unique support in a home they'll feel proud of – and that's exactly what we provide.

## **yes to local.**

Our hearts are in our local communities. We're proud to support people in more than 1,000 locations across the UK. But we're even more proud that every service is run by trusted local teams, each providing neighbourly support that feels close to home.

## **yes to relationships.**

Our people make all the difference. So we make sure everyone is valued and all of our support workers achieve the Care Certificate qualification. Over a quarter of our team have been with us for over five years and some have even been with us from the very beginning, helping to create rewarding relationships, improved outcomes and excellent continuity of care.

## **yes to quality.**

Our purpose is to improve lives. It's as simple as that. We help almost 5,000 people to live with hope and independence, with every member of our team sharing the same commitment to quality in everything we do. We hire the best in the sector into our highly skilled and dedicated Quality team, who work to ensure our CQC ratings are something we can be proud of.







# yes to ambition

## So what happens next?

It all starts with an informal chat with one of our specialist assessors. Together with each individual, they will build a clear understanding of their needs and preferences, making sure that they make the choice that is right for them.

They'll then be on hand to guide individuals, families and professionals through the referral and assessment processes, and won't stop until the kettle's on, and the move is complete.

# Supporting people to live the life they choose.

At Lifeways, our focus is *you*. We want to become a trusted partner on your personal journey. Learning from the challenges you've already overcome, before tailoring our support to help you achieve more.

## Why Lifeways?

We believe that anyone can achieve the extraordinary. And that's why Lifeways exists. To understand every individual and support each different dream. Creating homes to feel proud of and places where lives feel fulfilled.

### Make a referral or arrange a visit

Learn more about independent living at Bentham Close, make a referral or arrange a visit by contacting Lifeways:

Call **0333 321 4881**

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