



## Homeshare accommodation in Oxfordshire – November 2024

**Homeshare Oxfordshire** carefully matches an older person, or couple, looking for help, companionship or reassurance at home, with another person who is happy to lend a hand.

**The Sharer gives the Householder up to 10 hours of their time each week as a combination of companionship and practical help, as agreed, and makes a monthly payment to Homeshare Oxfordshire of £200 pcm and an agreed contribution to the Householder towards bills.**

Please check our webpage [www.homeshareoxfordshire.org.uk](http://www.homeshareoxfordshire.org.uk) and follow us on and [Facebook](#) to find out about new opportunities as they come in.

**\*\*\* Opportunities also confirmed in Jericho (Oxford ) and St Clements/Headington area (Oxford) are confirmed and available soon \*\*\***

### **Great Rollright, nr Chipping Norton (ref 105)**

**We are looking for a 30+ female who would like to share the welcoming home of a friendly, Great Rollright resident whose independence is very important to her. The Householder is in her early nineties, and lives with her sweet natured, well-trained and much loved Labrador. A love of dogs is key.**

The Householder has a love for the countryside and of country life. Born and educated in Ireland with a lifelong love of horses, which has involved breeding and participating in various sports including hunting and dressage. The Householder has lived in the UK for over 70 years and has a broad range of interests including gardens, sports, reading and current affairs and is a member of a local book club. She has friends across the generations and enjoys the company of younger people. With a background in education, Montessori trained, the Householder enjoyed helping with reading at the local primary school, until thwarted by COVID.

The Householder likes to do her own thing but would appreciate having someone around to chat with, at occasional times and for the occasional meal if the timing worked out. She is full of determination and energy while dealing with the usual frailties associated with her age. With less good balance and using sticks to get around, the Householder had a couple falls earlier this year and someone else living in the house would be very reassuring for the Householder and her family. Other help required may be some cooking if that is something the Sharer enjoys, and the odd jobs which are now more difficult for the Householder. A few local friends take care of the dog walking during the week but someone who could help with dog walking at weekends when family are not visiting would be ideal. Someone who might also be around first thing in the morning to let the dog out and feed her could also be very helpful.

This Homeshare opportunity would suit an animal lover, 30+, with an active lifestyle and who shared some of the Householders interests. A car driver would be essential. Someone who has a job, full or part time, and their own independent life, maybe with local friends or family would work well. And someone who would be happy in a household where the Householder's family often came to visit or stay and to be reasonably independent at these times. A good cook would be very welcome, though not essential, and a person who is happy to help keep the house tidy would be great. There is more than one sitting room to allow the sharer to have their own space as well as their bedroom with a beautiful view. There is also regular help from a cleaner.

## Abingdon, OX14 (ref 96)

**Are you a homely, kind and caring female, 30+, with Christian principles, who could provide gentle companionship and be a reassuring presence to a friendly, interesting and interested, kind older person in a quiet residential area of Abingdon?**

The householder's early career was in nursing and, later, in education with children with additional needs. She cares about social issues, is a committed Christian and involved in her local church and wider community activities. She is artistic and finds relaxation in drawing and painting. Singing, creative dance and swimming have been important in the Householder's life but, owing to arthritis, some limitation in walking and having less energy these days, she has found these activities hard to keep up.

The Householder lost her husband some years ago. She has a network of good friends whom she sees regularly but does feel a little anxious at times about living alone. Just the simple presence of someone around in the house would be very reassuring to her. A homely, warm person who enjoyed conversation and who would be happy to talk to about day to day things and to help talk through everyday decisions sometimes would be very valuable. Help with internet and mobile phone issues that crop up would be appreciated, as would the occasional lift in a car to activities or social events.

A cleaner and gardener regularly come to the house but help with the simple household tasks would be welcome – for example, help with changing bed sheets, putting out the bins, reading the meters etc. Whilst gardening help is not needed, if someone would enjoy helping in the large, natural, garden (which is a source of great pleasure to the Householder) that would be fine.

This would suit a kind, caring and empathetic female, 30+, with Christian principles. Someone who likes to mainly spend time at home in the evenings, rather than being out, would work best. And some company at weekends especially on Saturdays, would be welcome. There is also the option to work or study from home as well. Whilst companionship is an important element of the Homeshare and the Householder would enjoy having a chat over a cup of tea and sharing some evening meals or watching some TV together, this is not rigid and there would be plenty of space for both Householder and Sharer to lead their independent lives. A car driver would be ideal.

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- Completing an application form and providing contacts for 3 referees
- An enhanced DBS check
- Interview

If you feel that Homesharing could be right for you and that you could be the right person for one of these opportunities, please contact us via the **'Register your interest' form** at [homeshareoxfordshire.org.uk](https://homeshareoxfordshire.org.uk)

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