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Proposals for the development of specialist housing will be permitted where it can be demonstrated that the proposal would:

1. meet the requirements of Policy CS21;
2. be easily accessible in terms of distance and gradient by people of different ages and abilities by foot and/or wheelchair to local shops, accessible public open space and public transport in line with the expected needs of the prospective residents;
3. secure adequate private amenity space within the curtilage of the development;
4. not result in an over-concentration of sheltered or supported housing that would have a detrimental cumulative impact on the character of the surrounding area or lead to individual family homes being surrounded by specialist housing;
5. access to appropriate specialist support services will be available within the Locality; and
6. meet an identified need for community housing arrangements, leavers of institutional care and the elderly

Sites considered to be appropriate for specialist housing may be included in a future site-specific Local Plan.