

## **April Cottage**

### **Affordable Housing Statement**

The proposed change of use will ensure the provision of 3 affordable homes to rent

1 no. x 1 bed

2 no. x 2bed

#### **Housing Need**

Current housing need is set out below. The greatest need is for 1 and 2 bedroomed units. There are a number of people living in 1 bedroomed accommodation that now require a 2 bedroomed home: this would therefore free up one bedroomed accommodation that they currently occupy. There is a clear demand for 1 and 2 bedroomed homes that would be met if 3 new units were created at this property. There is no recorded demand for a 4 bedroomed affordable home.

<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Waiting List</b>	<b>Transfer List</b>
Singles (bedsit/1bed)	27	2
Couples (1Bed)	19	3
2 Bed	8	6
3 Bed	1	4
4 bed	0	0

The Council have a statutory duty to accommodate eligible homelessness cases. We currently have a number of cases who are either being housed in temporary accommodation or have been served notice and will require permanent housing. The pressure on the housing stock eases during the winter months as winter lets become available, this provided as short-term solution until March 2022, but we will be under increased pressure again by next March.

The creating of 3 new small units of accommodation will help alleviate the increased pressure on the housing market that we are currently experiencing.

The proposed conversion to 3 homes would help balance the immediate housing supply and demand issues.