

Women's Transitional Housing at Whiddon Easton Park – FAQ's

Question	Answer
What is the Glenfield Women's Transitional Housing Project?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Raines House building at Whiddon Easton park was formerly used for aged care services and is being repurposed into transitional housing for older women (55+) • The project was Co-funded by \$446,450 from the Minns Labor Government Housing Innovation Fund • It was made possible through a collaboration between Women's Community Shelters, Whiddon, Housing All Australians, Hume Housing and Urban Property • This is a wonderful example of State and Federally funded services collaborating to meet community need.
Why is Whiddon opening transitional housing at Easton park?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the last twelve months, the number of women seeking assistance from Women's Community Shelters grew by 20% • Glenfield will provide much needed accommodation and support for 28 women a night
Who is the shelter for and how does it provide support?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The property will be used as 'transitional housing' for older women (55 years +) who are experiencing, or are at risk of, homelessness. • In addition to accommodation the service will offer onsite case work support to help women rebuild their lives and find permanent housing.
Who is running the accommodation?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women's Community Shelters will run the service which will bring the number of beds for older women in NSW provided by WCS to 100 total per night
How long can women stay at the shelter?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On average women stay approximately 18 months. The aim is to move them into secure affordable accommodation as soon as possible. • Hume Housing will also be working hard to secure permanent housing for women.
What facilities will be available at the shelter (e.g.: kitchens/cooking/parking/etc..)?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each woman will have their own room with a bed and small lounge area. There are shared bathrooms, kitchens and lounge/dining areas.
What are the hours of operation of the shelter?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People will reside at the property 24/7. They will have structure around visiting times, to minimise disturbance to others.
Will there also be people working at the shelter?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WCS will have staff on site five days per week. Hume Housing will have staff on site once a week.