



**Bedford Morison and Cordery Almshouse  
Charity**

**Dame Mary Morison Apprenticeship Trust**

**BEDFORD, MORISON & CORDERY ALMSHOUSE CHARITY  
DAME MARY MORISON APPRENTICESHIP TRUST**

**THE POLICY ON ACCOMODATION MOVES**

***Bedford Morison and Cordery Almshouse Charity***, Watford, was established in 1580  
England and Wales Charity Registration number: 207042

***Dame Mary Morison Apprenticeship Trust***

*Established 6 April 1629 to aid and assist young persons (poor children of the Town and  
Parish of Watford) during their educational years*

England and Wales Charity Registration number: 312129

Registered Office: 19 St Mary's Close, Watford, WD18 0EQ

- 1.1 On admission a Resident will be offered the vacant, available flat or cottage
- 1.2 Once the Resident accepts a flat or cottage, it is not generally possible to change the accommodation unless there are compelling medical reasons to do so, for example, the need to move to ground floor accommodation due to mobility issues.
- 1.3 A request for a move that qualifies on these grounds may be made to the Chair of Trustees in writing, accompanied by supporting medical or social care evidence.
- 1.4 Such a move may not be possible because of lack of availability of vacant alternative accommodation within the estate.
- 1.5 Any request to move accommodation within the Almshouse estate must be considered by the Trustee Board and the resulting decision will be final.
- 1.6 If a transfer to a more appropriate vacant property is agreed, the resident may be responsible for any costs incurred.

#### **Additional note**

The Trustees acknowledge that the Almshouse flats or cottages are home to each Resident and will support and enable independent living for as long as possible.

If a Resident's health deteriorates to a condition that puts them at risk, Trustees, including either the Chair or Vice Chair, will consider the situation, along with the family who must seek professional medical advice or social worker assessment, to ensure proper support is arranged to reduce risk and that next steps are clear and agreed.

#### **This policy has been approved for issue by the board of trustees:**

Name: Felicity Evans MBE, Chair of Trustees

Date: 10 June 2025