



Appendix A - An overview of temporary accommodation (TA) types in Welwyn Hatfield and occupancy levels

Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council has four main sites of Temporary Accommodation in the district, and several other properties that it uses for housing residents.

In Welwyn Garden City:

- Inspira House, Martinfield – former office block converted into residential accommodation. 54 units in total, across two levels. 18 one bed flats and 36 studio flats.
- Howlands House, Howlands – 20 units of 3 bed accommodation. Prior to COVID pandemic was shared accommodation, with households sharing with other households. Since the pandemic the accommodation is single occupancy and is used for larger families. Planning application to redevelop the site is pending, awaiting approval.

In Hatfield:

- Burfield Close – former sheltered accommodation site, due for redevelopment after Howlands House is redeveloped. 25 units across two levels and two buildings. 24 one bed flats, 1 two bed flat.
- Hazel Grove House, Bishops Rise – 20 units in total; 9 one bed flats, 10 studio flats, 1 two bed flats

Individual Council Units – 30 properties, using Council stock for individual households.

Currently (July 2023):

- 9 households housing single individuals,
- 1 household with a single child,
- 11 households with two children,
- 4 households with three children and
- 5 households with four children.

Privately rented properties used as temporary accommodation:

Several hotels used to deal with excess numbers into the service, before more appropriate accommodation is arranged/becomes available.

Total numbers broken down by site (July 2023)

Total in TA:	160
Howlands House:	8
Inspira House	52
Burfield Close	25
Hazel Grove House	19
Council properties	30
Hotels	4
Privately rented accommodation	22

Average household size

There are currently 54 households without children.

Of the other 106 households with children, the breakdown is:

1 child	34 households
2 children	44 households
3 children	15 households
4 children	11 households
5 children	2 households
6 or more children	0 households

Average size is 2.08 children