

Moving beyond the institution: How can architecture improve the quality of life for older people with dementia?

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CONTEXT

"Existing care settings still too often resemble a hospital care setting, an inappropriate design model for persons with Alzheimer's disease or care for frail elderly".
(Brawley, 1997)



50 million people world wide have dementia (WHO 2020)



UNDERSTANDING THE COMPLEX IDENETTY

METHOD

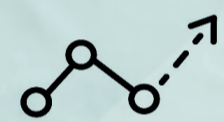
INSTITUTION



HOME



PROGRESS



Evaluation of UK HBN report on General design guidance for Dementia-friendly Health and Social Care 2015

Case study analysis

Critical review of mainstream home

Survey

Future relationship between architecture and dementia

CONCLUSION

Overall in light of the COVID-19 pandemic far broader discussions of dementia design principles, government policies and planning would need to be discussed.

Dementia design principles should not just be reserved for the care home typology but implemented in all housing typology.

PROJECT AIMS

1 To understand why existing dementia design principles are suggested.

2 To evaluate and understand how architecture can improve the quality of life for older people living with dementia.

3 To evaluate if mainstream homes are dementia friendly.