

FINANCIAL MATTERS

We also have a few large ensuite rooms that can be used as either a double, or single occupancy at an extra premium. Fee scales are reviewed annually on 1st April. Fees are payable monthly in advance. The Trust insures residents' possessions up to the value of £500, and we have a safe deposit in the building where residents can deposit valuables. Full details of fees can be found enclosed.

Rushmead is a registered care home and, as such, complies with all the regulations of the Care Quality Commission. We are regularly inspected and the reports are available in the reception.



RESPIRE OR SHORT STAY DAYCARE

Rushmead is proud to be able to offer respite care, as well as longer-term care plans.

We understand that caring for someone is a full-time job - and that just like every job - carers sometimes need a break. Sometimes the carer themselves might need hospital treatment, or is feeling overwhelmed and needs a rest. Our respite care is the ideal option for an elderly person who is normally cared for at home by a relative or loved one.

We understand that you might feel guilty or anxious about taking a break; however living with stress for too long may lead you to become depressed, ill or anxious. Rushmead is able to offer respite care for the length of time you require, allowing you to rest safe in the knowledge that your loved one is being cared for in a safe, relaxing and homely environment by a team of dedicated professionals.

Room rates are available, please see enclosed.

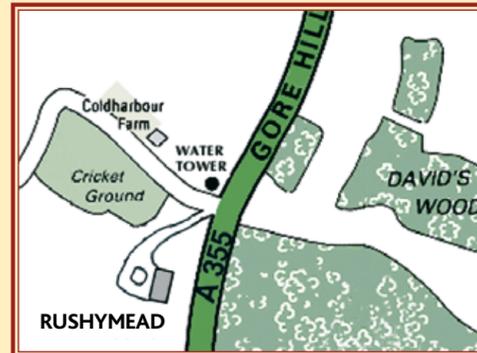
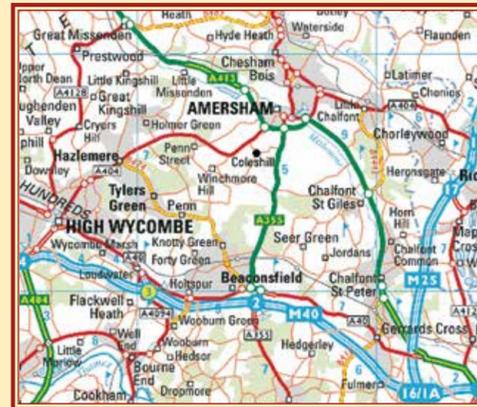
For further information about what we can offer in terms of respite care, please contact us and see what we can do for you.



Thank you All at Rushmead for the kindness and understanding and care that you gave my mother. Her early days were quite straight forward but later things became quite difficult for you, but you never gave up on her, the strength and commitment that you all have is something very special. I shall always remember you."



"Rushmead is a wonderful home. Staff could not be better, they are so kind and helpful"



Rushmead
RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME

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The home is regularly inspected by
The Quality Care Inspection and
copies of their reports are available to you.

Registration No. 803595



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"Come home to Rushmead"

*We are committed to providing our residents with the appropriate care
to suit their needs within a friendly and secure environment.*

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ABOUT US

HISTORY OF THE BUILDING:

Rushymead has a rich history in the story of its transition from country house to residential care home.

In 1839, John Statham of Amersham owned a small farmhouse and a nine-acre field called Rushy Meadow, then in the occupation of Joshua Payne. The house was occupied as a farmhouse, and the grounds cultivated until about 1985 when a much larger house was built here, by Thomas Arthur Howland, a wine and spirit merchant. About 1913, the Howland family put Rushymead on the market with an asking price of £16,000.

The purchaser was Thomas Forbes, Chairman of Price Forbes & Co Ltd., and a Lloyds underwriter. He employed Arnold Dunbar Smith F.R.I.B.A., of Queen's Square, Bloomsbury, to rebuild the house. The new Rushymead featured in the Studio Yearbook of Decorative Art in 1924.



In 1940, the employees of Forbes moved to Rushymead to avoid the London bombings. However, despite these precautions, in 1940 a large bomb fell in the grounds of Rushymead. Luckily the bomb did not explode and was recovered successfully.



After the death of Thomas Forbes in 1951, Rushymead was bought by Broom & Wade, the High Wycombe engineering company, who used it as a staff college. In the 1960s, Rushymead was bought by Hillingdon Borough Council as an old people's home. In 1991, ownership of the home passed to Chiltern District Council, with the object of opening a hospice there. In 1997 Dr Michael Batt operating as The Michael Batt Charitable Trust purchased the home and set about modernising and improving the house. The Trust continues to operate Rushymead as a residential care home to this day.



Excellence in Residential Care



"I want to say a very big Thank You for the wonderful way in which Rushymead is run. You are also a very special kind person"

OUR STAFF

Our dedicated team of professionals are committed to continually improving the levels of care enjoyed by our residents. We choose our staff as much for their personalities as for their educational backgrounds, and as such we have a team with limitless enthusiasm, unwavering dedication and enormous amounts of compassion. We are very proud of our staff and are committed to investing in their futures with further training.

Our staff take a person-centred approach to care to ensure that services are tailored to a resident's needs and experiences, and they help make everyone's stay as safe and enjoyable as is possible.

Our core team of care staff are fully supported by a team of support staff, including cooks, domestics and laundry personnel. Staff are always available throughout the night.

OUR COMMITMENT



When you entrust a loved one to our care you need to feel confident that we are committed to providing them with the highest level of professional support. We understand the concerns you face in choosing a residential home, and are dedicated to providing our residents with an enjoyable stay that is tailored to their evolving individual needs. Every care plan we put together is tailored to meet the individual needs of the resident, and includes input from the resident, doctors, relatives or representatives. The plan looks at a resident's social and cultural preferences, as well as their therapeutic and medical needs.

"Mum, Sarah, has been at Rushymead since May of last year and we would like everyone to know what a fabulous place it is. Sarah's overall health has improved even though she struggles with everyday matters and can no longer stand, walk or look after herself, her general health is fine. Rushymead is situated in such wonderful surroundings it really is a pleasure to be able to take Mum out into the gardens on a warm day for her to see the wildlife and the picturesque location of the home."

OUR CARE PLAN

We are proud to pledge to provide within the structure of a dedicated care plan:

- Dignity:** We recognise the residents' individual needs and treat residents with respect at all times.
- Independence:** We are committed to allowing residents to make their own decisions wherever possible, and to lead a rich and fulfilling life.
- Rights:** To show respect for the rights of all our residents.
- Privacy:** To understand that sometimes a resident needs their own space, whilst never allowing anyone to feel lonely or neglected.
- Security:** To ensure that we provide a safe, welcoming and secure environment at all times.



ACCOMMODATION: ROOMS

Rushymead stands set within over twenty acres of landscaped grounds, and enjoys wonderful views across the Chilterns. We have a terraced area outside for residents to enjoy on sunny days, as well as a croquet lawn and extensive grounds.

Rushymead provides a high standard of accommodation for up to twenty-eight residents. The house is split into three self-contained levels, with a lounge and dining area on each level. This gives all residents somewhere to socialise and to relax.

We have twenty-six single occupancy rooms, with the option of en-suite rooms, as well as a double room for married couples or partners. All rooms are comfortable, light and airy and retain a wealth of period features, in keeping with the beauty of the house. All rooms are fitted with 24 hour nurse call. A telephone can be installed in a resident's room; alternatively we have a telephone that is available for all our residents to use. All rooms are fitted with personal washing facilities, and the building is fully wheelchair accessible.

We encourage residents to personalise their rooms with small items of furniture, photographs and treasured items to create a room that is familiar and reassuring; a room that is 'home'.

We recognise that moving into a residential care home is a huge change for the resident, and we want our residents to feel fully 'at home' with us. Therefore, we operate a trial period of a month, which allows the residents to decide if we provide what they are looking for long-term and helps make the transition less daunting.



"I was very glad my Mother ended up at Rushymead, one hears such terrible stories about residential homes, but she couldn't have been anywhere better. You were all very patient and caring, especially in the last few months, I'm glad she could stay til the last. Thank you all so much."

