



HOUSING VISION

Business Area Summary: Bespoke Interactive Models and Toolkits

Client: Your organisation

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Established in 2001, Housing Vision has now completed over 120 projects for clients across the housing sector and throughout the country.

With the introduction of localism and in the current climate of value-for-money efficiencies Housing Vision's Toolkits and Dashboards unlock the power of essential data quickly and efficiently. By providing indicators, estimates and/or projections that take into account local conditions they offer simple and cost effective ways for decision makers to quickly understand and act upon key information.

Example of Toolkit Dashboard

HGO:HVC-Older People: Need for Services Toolkit 2010		
Inputs		
Enter total number of People aged 65+	92270	Select location, sector to and data below
Average number of People 65+ per Household	1.43	Durham - Version 3 - 7 April 2010
Outputs		
Level of Need	People	Print
Universal Need	55,177	
Low Need	19,838	
High Need - Frail Elderly (FE)	3,322	
High Need - Mental Health (MH)	3,506	
High Need - Learning Disability (LD)	1,661	
*High Need - Health & Social Care Need	8,766	
<small>* Note: the 65+ population who have 'High Need - Health & Social Care Need' will require levels of intervention which are beyond the remit of housing support services, and these services are not included in the Toolkit.</small>		
Total Services Required (all Levels of Need)	People	Households
Advice Services	6,263	4,380
Assistance required to Repair/Improve Owner Occupied Homes	9,069	6,342
Designated Housing (including Sheltered)	13,673	9,562
Handyperson Services	13,885	9,710
Community Alarm Services	15,893	11,114
Home Improvement Agency Services	2,300	1,608
Floating Support Services	5,842	4,085
Telecare Services	864	604
Extra Care Services	732	512

OUR EXPERTISE

Housing Vision has now completed over 120 projects covering many aspects of the housing, health and social care sectors. Whilst working on these projects Housing Vision has developed many frameworks and toolkits to assist clients. These bespoke toolkits have been made available to the clients in order that they may continue to manage and update their own data and information using our stand alone programmes from their desktops. Based on their feedback (and encouragement) we have now developed a range of Toolkits and Dashboards.

TOOLKITS AND DASHBOARDS

All our dashboards are dynamic and interactive and provide outputs as estimates, projections and/or indicators. They also have the capability of projecting ranges of outputs. Using drop-down menus and sliders the dashboard elements of the toolkits allow the easy manipulation of complex data in a way that allows decision makers to see *immediate results* and to analyse and test potential future options and scenarios, *in real time*, with the click of a mouse.

Because the toolkits are developed specifically for each client, as well as including national and regional data, they also have the facility to include specific local client data, and local requirements, criteria and/or conditions and to vary any of the inputs easily and immediately should any conditions change.

Each Toolkit consists of:

- A toolkit programme provided in electronic format
- An accompanying manual
- An appropriate licensing agreement

And the options of:

- Bespoke training sessions
- A biannual update

RANGE AVAILABLE

The range of toolkits and dashboards are:

Health and Social Care focused

- **Older People: Need for Housing and Social Care Services**
This toolkit assists in determining the cost and requirement for housing, health and social care services for older people by area.
- **Sheltered and Extra Care Housing Sustainability**
This Traffic-Light toolkit assists in determining the sustainability of sheltered and extra-care housing schemes.

Community focused

- **Creating New Communities**
This toolkit projects the populations and households arising from new housing - either stand alone or with existing housing.

• **Dynamic Area Profiles**

This toolkit projects how neighbourhoods/areas will evolve over the next 10 and 20 years and what the implications are for demand for services - education, health, housing etc.

Housing focused

• **Affordability Modelling**

This toolkit assists in the modelling of the affordability of different types of market and social properties in the context of local households' incomes.

• **Optimum Housing Mix**

The Optimum Housing Mix toolkit allows the relative tenure and bedroom size splits for market and affordable housing to be estimated for any given housing scheme. This also includes the ability to estimate the social rent/intermediate housing split within the affordable housing proportion. By adjusting the input, to take account of local conditions and demand, the optimum tenure/bedroom size mix for the scheme can be calculated.

OUTPUTS

The outputs from each of the toolkits and dashboards are appropriate to the modelling being undertaken and can, in many cases, be adapted to client requirements. This may include geographical information mapping, graphs, numerical tables and cost projections. Scenario and "What if" testing are also included in most toolkits.

WE ALSO OFFER

Housing Vision has completed projects for local authorities and housing associations; the private sector and sub-regional consortia, and regional and national bodies including the CRC and HCA. We can offer the following core services:

Dynamic Area Profiles

GIS-based profiles of user-defined areas incorporating demographic, housing, health, education and socio-economic data to provide 20 year projections of change.

Site/Place-Based Housing Market Assessment

We have undertaken over 50 Assessments to determine the market potential of sites proposed for development, including affordable housing requirements.

Strategic Housing Market Assessment

We have completed analyses of housing need and housing market dynamics at local authority and sub-regional levels throughout the country.

Neighbourhood Sustainability Appraisals

We construct social, economic and housing profiles to determine the sustainability of local housing areas, then identify the interventions required to secure their future.

Research and Intelligence

We undertake challenging and original research, for example a Sheltered and Extra Care Housing Sustainability toolkit and analysis of the interrelationship between housing and health.

Policy Review, Analysis and Revision

We specialise in reviewing and refining policies, for example, a project to evaluate the effectiveness of delivering affordable housing in the Bristol sub-region.

TESTIMONIALS

We work hard for and with our clients, and here are just a few of their views:

"The report produced by HVC was very, very good. It was clear, could be read and understood by a wide range of people".

"One of the most successful aspects was the working relationship and communication; the sense of joint working and good engagement".



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