

## Information supplied by the Borough on composition of housing stock in Wivenhoe

### Colchester Property Details Data as at 3rd March 2007

Wivenhoe Cross	Houses	47	91	500	68	23	<b>729</b>
	Bungalows	0	185	41	11	0	<b>237</b>
	Flats	60	21	2	9	272	<b>364</b>
	Maisonettes	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>1,330</b>
Wivenhoe Quay	Houses	39	314	945	441	96	<b>1,835</b>
	Bungalows	37	170	128	19	4	<b>358</b>
	Flats	70	78	11	2	1	<b>162</b>
	Maisonettes	3	2	2	1	0	<b>8</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>1,086</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>2,363</b>

The attachment gives information about bungalows and other housing types in Wivenhoe. The Wivenhoe Cross data presumably includes the University which possibly explains the high number of flats. The headings are missing from the columns. These probably are the different Council tax bandings.

#### Comments on the data (Jane Black)

For comparison, data is available for 2008 on type of dwellings in England at the following site:

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/6703/1750754.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/6703/1750754.pdf) page 9.

Analysing the data in Wivenhoe Quay bungalows form 15.2% of the stock and for Wivenhoe Cross the percentage is 17.8%. This last figure is perhaps a bit meaningless if the flats heading includes the University. The ratio of bungalows to houses (excluding flats) is particularly high for Wivenhoe Cross (0.325). Nationally (England) 9.4% of dwellings are bungalows and the ratio of bungalows to houses is 0.13.

It does look as if in 2007 Wivenhoe had quite a high proportion of bungalows. This does not mean that there is not a need for purpose built units for the elderly but it does mean that if the elderly population wants to move to single storey dwellings there is some scope to do this. Most of the current households in Wivenhoe where the reference person is over 65 are owner occupiers (see neighbourhood statistics on the following site)

<http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/dissemination/LeadHome.do?m=0&s=1391422270268&enc=1&nsjs=true&nsck=false&nssvg=false&nswid=1776>

So, if they could face the costs of and upheaval of moving it is perhaps easier to find something suitable in Wivenhoe than it is in some other areas. There is the minority, of course, who are not owner occupiers.