

Future Challenges for the Nordic Welfare Model: Housing

Features:

The overall state responsibility
equality and social cohesion

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Housing for older adults

- To age in place

Ordinary housing

Collaborative housing

Senior housing

Senior community housing

Housing for older adults (cont.)

- Special housing for assisted living and complex care/residential care home Incl. group living alternatives (need assesment)
- Older models:
 - Old people's home (1950-60)
 - Service house unit/service accomodation (1970-80)
 - Nursing home (1970-80)

New housing concept

- Senior housing for assisted living (safety housing)

Barrier free

Coordinator

Localities for joint activities

Eating together

Growing Older Living Well program 2010-2012 (Sweden)

Challenges and risks

- Housing alternatives for old people with low pension
- Care for old people with dementia
- Support to family carers
- Technical development
- Further development of home care (organization, staff recruitment)
- Home care in rural areas
- Improvement of safety
- Loneliness and social isolation

Strategies for ageing in place

- Accessibility
- Ambulant home care (decentralized)
- Alternative housing concepts (ordinary housing)
- A comprehensive view on housing and care
- Societal planning for an ageing-friendly community
- Meeting places for social networks

Project: Meeting Places in Trollhättan

Research Question

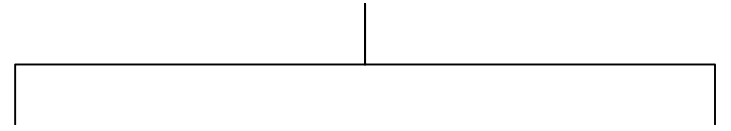
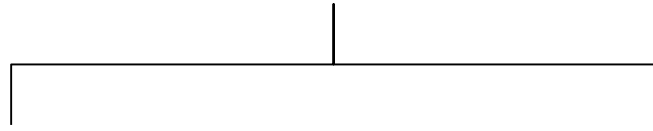
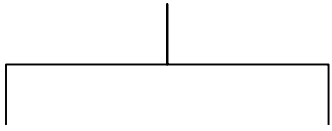
What is the significance of meeting places for older peoples' social networking?

Focus in the concept of Thin Ties.

Granovetter
Strong ties

Granovetter
Weak ties

Granovetter
Absent ties



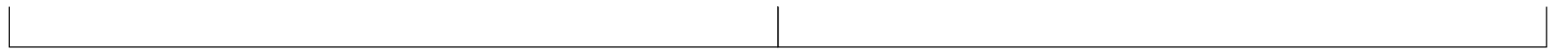
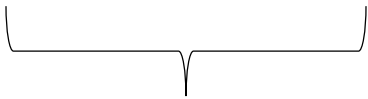
Friendship
Contacts

Helping
Contacts

Conversation
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Greeting
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Recognition
contacts



Our concept
Thick ties

Our concept
Thin ties

Different Forms of Social Network Ties
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