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An older woman sits in her living room, alone. She speaks to us about her day-to-day experience, an experience that a growing number of older people in our communities face.





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For eight months Sharon Bailey visited older people who live by themselves, stuck in their homes for long periods of time. She travelled across Newcastle, Gateshead and East Durham documenting their lives. Home Alone brings these untold stories and images out of the houses and into busy public spaces. The stories are important and they need to be told. We all need to listen. Our social care system is in crisis and things have to change.

Home Alone is a touring exhibition of photography and sound recordings from the artist Sharon Bailey working with isolated older people across the north east

Location

Seaham Library
Consett Library
Clayport Library
Newton Aycliffe Library
Spennymoor Library

Shildon Library
Crook Library
Chester le Street Library

Date

2-6 March 9-13 March 16-20 March 23-27 March

30 March - 3 April

6-9 April 14-17 April 20-24 April

Home Alone is a project by Sharon Bailey. It includes a specially commissioned monologue written by Catrina McHugh MBE (Open Clasp) with theatre direction by Laura Lindow Open Clasp and Barbara Heslop as the performing actress.

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