

# Jack's dementia has his memories, but not his independence



Jack is 83, has dementia and lives on his own in a retirement village. He is prone to walking about at night, sometimes becoming disoriented and disturbing other residents while searching for his own room. During the day Jack copes well, however he has left the sink running a couple of times, posing a threat to him and the property. Jack is still capable of living alone and does not want to move to a high care facility where he may be locked in his room at night and is not permitted to cook and clean for himself.

As memories fade and motor skills deteriorate, living with dementia can be increasingly frustrating. Moving people out of their own home can be distressing, as they are thrust into a completely unfamiliar environment. The pressure on carers can also be intense, feeling they need to be with them day and night to ensure their safety.

That is why Tunstall has created a range of telecare products and services. These unobtrusive assistive technologies allow people like Jack to maintain their independence and stay in their own home, while taking the need for constant supervision and concern off their carers.

## Solutions for Jack;



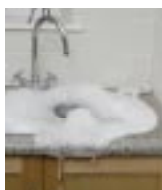
### Exit Sensor

A Tunstall exit sensor would allow Jack to come and go as he pleases, notifying the village managers if he left the building at unusual times of the day or night without returning within a certain time frame. A Tunstall exit sensor can also be fitted to bedroom doors or main entrances.



### Bed Occupancy Sensor

A Tunstall bed occupancy sensor could also be used to notify the village managers if Jack had either not gone to bed by a certain time or not returned to his bed during the night. Lights can also be triggered by the sensor, preventing Jack from bumping into objects, and providing a visual pathway back to his bed, to reduce disorientation and wandering.



### Flood Detector

A Tunstall flood detector could be placed next to the sink and bath, notifying the village managers if there is water on the floor. This would protect Jack from slipping on the wet surface and save the property from water damage.

Tunstall offers a range of unobtrusive telecare products allowing people living with dementia and other long term needs to maintain an independent lifestyle. For more information on Tunstall's product and services please call 1300 760 333 or visit [www.tunstallap.com](http://www.tunstallap.com).