

Rothera women's project

The Langley House Trust has been in existence for over 40 years and has developed considerable experience and expertise in working with ex-offenders in a network of specialist provision based around residential projects. Langley House Trust currently manages two drug rehabilitation centres, three registered care homes for mentally disordered offenders, three residential training centres and fourteen hostels and move-on houses for a whole range of ex-offenders. Langley enables and equips former offenders to address their physical, emotional, mental and spiritual needs within a caring Christian environment. This project was the Trust's first women's project.

General

The Rothera Project offers semi-supported housing for 16 women in 4 houses in Bradford. Each property has a lounge, kitchen/dining area, four bedrooms, a bathroom and toilets. Staff are based at the project houses for a few hours each day on weekdays and are in regular contact with all residents.

Aims of the Project

- To provide a safe, welcoming and supportive environment for women.
- To provide resettlement support to women striving for independence.
- To enable women to be re-united with their children.
- To provide assistance with budgeting, accessing education, training and employment opportunities and to help women develop their potential in a measured way.

Eligibility for the project

- All women who are aged 18 years and over and who are ex-offenders or at risk of offending will be considered for this project. Project staff will require very specific information in order to carry out a risk assessment.
- Priority will be given to referrals from Bradford in the first instance and West Yorkshire thereafter, although referrals are welcome from throughout the UK.
- Women should not require intensive 24 hour support and should be ready for this stage of resettlement.

Conditions of Residency

Before we can assess an application, prospective residents are asked to sign a Data Processing Consent form. To allow the project to run satisfactorily, new residents are required to sign up to the house rules which include a section on responsibilities.

All residents will need to sign an Assured Shorthold Tenancy Agreement. Residents will be given a handbook which includes important information about living at a Langley House Trust project.

Staff Support

The scheme is supported and managed by an all female staff team. They are available on a daily basis and all residents have access to support in out-of-hour emergencies.

House Rules

All residents will need to abide by the conditions of an Assured Short-hold Tenancy. From time to time extra rules may be agreed to ensure the smooth running of the house, but it is envisaged that these will be kept to a minimum and will be reviewed with residents at regular house meetings.

Equal Opportunities and Confidentiality

Rothera is committed to achieving equal opportunities for all. Religion, race, nationality, age and sexual orientation will not be part of the selection criteria. We will challenge any discriminatory attitude within the house.

The staff provide each resident with a confidentiality policy through which they seek to safeguard and keep secure all confidential information received regarding an individual.

Funding

The scheme is a supported housing project which is reliant on the payment of rent (usually Housing Benefit).

Enquiries

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