

The Hostel – What We Do

Lorica St Patrick's (LSP) provides Nightshelter, Hostel and Move-on Accommodation.

The **Hostel** offers you accommodation with support, as well as to other single men and women with high support needs who want to work towards independent living. You will have a Keyworker who will work with you on a support plan that will assist you to gain the skills and confidence needed to move on into more independent accommodation.

The Accommodation

The Hostel is based in a church conversion in Hove. There are five flats on three landings; one flat is for women only. You will have your own room, with shared bathroom/toilet and a large kitchen/living area. You will be required to keep your room and shared areas clean.

Staffing

You will meet weekly with your Keyworker to work on your support plan and progress your goals. Your Keyworker will work with you on such things as:

- Any alcohol or drugs issues
- Work and learning
- Health and wellbeing
- Managing your income
- Local services/specialist agencies
- Life skills training and development

Project Workers provide 24 hour reception cover, as well as ensuring the building is kept secure and safe. **Reception Tel: (01273) 749561.**

Getting Involved

Each flat is led by a Keyworker who arranges weekly flat meetings where ideas, issues and concerns are discussed. We also invite your views on Lorica St Patrick's at these meetings as well as at a weekly Manager's Drop In, surveys and ad-hoc residents' lunches.

Accommodation Charges

Supporting People provide funding for the housing related support you will receive and Housing Benefit may pay for the accommodation charge. **You** will be responsible for paying the personal charge, which is usually £10.50 per week depending upon your personal circumstances.

Moving On

Your goal is to move on into more independent housing within the time set by Supporting People requirements. This may be into semi-independent accommodation, the private rented sector, or into a residential treatment service.

Hostel Referral and Assessment Procedure

To be eligible for the Hostel you need to be aged between 18 and 70, be homeless, potentially with a rough sleeping history, have support needs, and be willing to work with staff and be resettled. All referrals are managed by the Rough Sleepers Street Services Team (**RSSST – Tel. 265672**). If you are referred we will interview you and carry out a Risk Assessment. If all goes well you can usually move in straight away. If we are unable to offer you what you need, we will let you know as soon as possible, usually through the RSSST. You may appeal this decision following our Appeals Procedure. This will involve you being invited to another interview and you have the right to be accompanied at this meeting by a friend, relative, another professional or advocate.