

## **Care Experienced Young People – Suitable and Unsuitable Accommodation**

Snapshot of the accommodation status for Care Experienced Young People in June.

81% (358) of our Care Experienced Young People are living in Suitable Accommodation

Of those living in suitable accommodation –

- 3.6% (16) are in a community home
- 25.6% (112) are in semi-independent or supported provision (e.g. YMCA or Young Devon Supported Lodgings)
- 15.7% (70) are with former foster carers (Staying Put)
- 26.8% (119) are living independently in their own tenancies
- 7.7% (34) are with parents or relatives
- 1.6% (7) are in "Other" accommodation (examples include young people that are living with their partners parents or in some cases is living with a friend of the family and has been assessed as suitable)

19% (84) of our Care Experienced Young People are living in Unsuitable Accommodation

Of those living in unsuitable accommodation –

- 2% (9) are in custody
- 1.3% (6) are in hospital (mental health)
- 7.9% (35) are in emergency or temporary accommodation (including B&B provided as temporary accommodation by housing districts)
- 1.4% (6) are No Fixed Abode (e.g. staying with friends)
- 2.9% (13) are with parents or relatives
- 2.3% (10) are in "Other" accommodation ('Other' includes examples as above but they have been assessed as unsuitable and we continue to support to make them to find more suitable accommodation)
- 1.2% (5) LA does not have information (e.g. young person may not wish to share where they are saying)

Of this data snapshot - Of the young people recorded as having No Fixed Abode, 1.4% equates to 6 young people

- 1 has now moved into a training tenancy and is being supported to maintain that.
- 1 is staying with friends and we are working to help them to engage with a supported accommodation provider and Adult Social Care
- 1 is staying with friends after a return home to family at 18 was not successful, despite support. Wants to live in Plymouth and we are working with a local provider to access supported accommodation that can meet this young person's needs
- 1 is living with partner and family in Northern England. Wants to stay in that area and is being supported to source privately rented accommodation. Rent in advance and deposit is ready to be provided when a suitable home is found.
- 1 became homeless after a relationship breakdown but has quickly been supported into suitable accommodation with mental health wraparound support.
- 1 also became homeless after a relationship breakdown. Is now going to university and we have supported them to access university accommodation now. We have provided a guarantor for this and continue to support.

Of this data snapshot - Of the young people recorded as living in emergency or temporary accommodation, 7.9% equates to 35 young people

- 27 are either awaiting a decision from the Housing District and are being supported to maintain their temporary tenancies to improve future outcomes or have had the decision from the

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housing district and are now being supported to bid for properties or waiting for space in identified settled accommodation.

- 7 have now moved into suitable accommodation
- 1 is accommodated in the North Housing Pilot Project.
- All of this cohort are supported by their PAs, HPWs, Housing Officers, supported accommodation staff and other appropriate partner agencies by means of frequent contact, visiting and direct work, regular multi-agency meetings and the careful oversight of the team managers and the area manager via panel.