

Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy

Consultation Summer 2021

Understand current and future needs

- Using SHMA to estimate requirements for new housing
- Improving rough sleeping data
- Using licensing schemes to understand the PRS
- Learning from our new duties and improving H-CLIC data collection
- Using data to drive continuous improvement

Prevent homelessness through early help

- Tackling harassment and illegal evictions in the PRS
- Improving communications and engagement with landlords
- Improving communications and engagement with PRS tenants
- Preventing homelessness due to eviction from a social tenancy
- Improving pathways for people leaving institutions and long-term accommodation
- Working with Our Newham Money to tackle debt and financial insecurity
- Establishing a tenancy sustainment hub
- Enable survivors of domestic violence to stay in their own homes

Support people to move off, and stay off, the streets



- Transforming rough sleeping services
- Development of the integrated rough sleeper support service (IRSS)
- Opening the new assessment hub
- A new service model that responds to need, equality and disproportionality
- A specific offer for women sleeping rough
- Immigration advice and support
- Health and wellbeing at the heart of the rough sleeping service
- Enhanced substance misuse pathway
- Continued development of evidence-led approaches
- Joint working to facilitate move-on from hostels

Improve access to better housing that meets the needs of residents

- Working in partnership to provide personalised support
- Improving communications with households in temporary accommodation
- Maximise opportunities in the PRS for prevention and supply
- Increase supply of accessible accommodation
- Where TA is used, ensuring good standard of TA and that appropriate to needs of households
- Responsive to residents and their concerns
- Continue to participate in Setting the Standard
- Set high standards for nightly-paid accommodation
- Make use of empty homes and Council voids where appropriate
- Use of Placements Policy in making TA and PRS offers
- Improve the customer experience

Reduce the use of temporary accommodation

- Reduce nightly-booked accommodation
- Increase the supply of sustainable and affordable accommodation
- Work with private sector landlords
- Develop an improved move-on offer to TA residents

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- Working to support adults with social care and mental health needs
- Working to support children and young people
- Children's and Young People's Pathway
 - Young people leaving care
 - Serious youth violence
 - Young people at risk of exploitation
- Working across services to maximise grant opportunities as they become available
- Work with faith groups and voluntary and community sector partners
- Multi-agency support for survivors of domestic violence
- Work with the antisocial behaviour team and police
- Working with service users and people with lived experience of homelessness

Consultation

- The consultation is open until Friday 24th September 2021
- To submit further comments and feedback, please email Homelessness.Strategy@newham.gov.uk
- If you would like to share the consultation with your wider network, the link to the Newham consultation webpage is <https://www.newham.gov.uk/council/homelessness-rough-sleeping-strategy>