



Aylesbury Homeless Action Group

Registered Charity Number 1009983

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Message from the Operations Team

It has been yet another busy time for AHAG. We have completed our seventh year of providing emergency shelter during the winter months. Since the end of the project, we have continued to be occupied with the ongoing challenges of supporting people who are either homeless or facing homelessness. We continue to look to local funders to help us to support the most vulnerable within our local community. If you would like more information on how you can do this please contact us on 01296 435026 or info@ahag.org.uk



Partnership Working

On March 17 the Community Chest held its final 'Working Together' event in conjunction with AVDC. We were proud to receive a 'partnership development' award for working with a wide range of other agencies to deliver the best outcomes for clients. We were delighted with this award as it reflects the hard work and commitment that AHAG has put into developing good partnership working.



Stakeholder consultation

AHAG have recently undertaken a stakeholder's consultation where both clients and professionals were given the opportunity to provide feedback on the services that we provide. The report will enable us to evaluate the work that we currently undertake and shape our future provision.

Thank you

We would like to say thank you for another food donation from the Local Emergency Support team. The food is used to make up emergency "kettle packs" for people sleeping rough.

1st Cheddington Scout Group recently raised over £500 for AHAG with a sponsored sleepout in March.



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Winter Emergency Project Summary

This was the seventh year that Aylesbury Homeless Action Group (AHAG) has run an emergency shelter during the winter months.

AHAG worked in conjunction with a local guest house to provide six emergency bed spaces from the 4th January to the 31st March 2017.

To access the project, clients were referred through Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC) and a police check for suitability was undertaken.

Forty two people were referred into the project and of those 28 were assessed as suitable. Fifteen of those were able to take advantage of the emergency accommodation.

Each client was offered a 28 day licence, giving them the stability and time to explore their housing options. Clients were assigned a case worker to provide on-going housing advice and support on a daily basis. Additional financial and employment support was also given.

Project Outcomes

11 clients were re-housed.

7 clients were able to continue with their employment, despite becoming homeless.

2 clients were successful in securing employment.

4 clients attended a Financial Capability course.

2 clients were offered financial assistance through grant applications for deposits.

Conclusion

This was another successful project, which provided people both with safe and secure temporary accommodation and the opportunity to secure long term, stable accommodation.

If you would like a copy of our full report it will soon be available to view on our website. Alternatively, please contact us at info@ahag.org.uk.

The Hub

We saw 238 clients during the last twelve months of whom 141 were new to our services.

70 clients were assisted into housing during the same period.

Why not like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter (info@ahag) to find out more about what we are up to?

