

PROJECT BACKGROUND

BACKGROUND INFORMATION – STOPOVER

PREMISES

Stopover is located on the south side of Glasgow. The area has good public transport links. The project is housed in new purpose built premises which have been designed to meet the needs of the young people. The service provides barrier free accommodation.

Each young person has his or her own bed-sit. There is also a communal lounge, dining room and kitchen, where young people can sit down each day with staff to have breakfast. Young people also have access to additional facilities: an IT suite and a group work room.

STAFFING

The staff team comprises of the Project Manager, 2 Depute Managers, and 9 Project Workers, full time Senior Administrator and full time Housekeeper/Domestic. There is also a bank of sessional Workers who have been recruited to provide flexible cover for when full time staff are on holiday, attending training, or on sick leave.

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RESIDENTS

The project accepts referrals from across the city and is a resource for Glasgow's young people. Residents of Stopover represent some of the most vulnerable young people in Glasgow, and it is the Project's intention to provide these young people with high levels of support in order to address their homelessness. A 'key-worker' system is employed to provide one to one support, and multi-agency involvement is evident throughout each support plan.



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The Admissions Policy is flexible, reflecting the difficulties, which some of the client group face. This involves ensuring that those with complex needs such as substance addiction, prostitution, or criminal involvement, have services tailored to their needs with appropriate supports in place.

CONCLUSION

Quarriers' Stopover is a relatively high profile Project, which focuses on real people, real issues and real needs. By supporting young people to address these, strong and sustainable networks can be introduced to support positive change to meet short, and long-term, realistic goals.

Already, Stopover has received widespread recognition throughout Glasgow for the commitment and skill of it's' staff team, who provide genuine, and unique support services for extremely vulnerable young people. This is done in an environment, which at times can be very challenging, but also very rewarding.



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