



Wyre Forest
District Council



Other useful numbers:

Healthy Minds Wellbeing HUB:

Tel: 01905 766124

Website: www.hacw.nhs.uk/our-services/healthyminds

Rethink Mental Illness

Tel: 0300 5000 927

Website: www.rethink.org

MIND

Tel: 0300 123 3393 Text: 86463

Website: www.mind.org.uk

Anxiety UK

Tel: 08444 775 774

Website: www.anxietyuk.org.uk

CAHMS Single Point of Access

Tel: 01905 768 300

Website: www.hacw.nhs.uk/camhs



For further information please contact:

Housing Needs Team
Wyre Forest District Council
The HUB
Vicar Street
Kidderminster

Tel: 01562 732928

Email: housingservices@wyreforestdc.gov.uk

Homeless and
suffering from a
mental illness or
impairment?

Are you homeless and suffering from
a mental illness or impairment?

We can help you...



Key Advice

Get help now by:

- Contacting the Housing Needs Team if you think you might be homeless or potentially homeless
- Contact the County Council Adult Social Care or your Support Service
- Register on Home Choice Plus (www.homechoiceplus.org.uk)

If you are suffering from a mental illness or impairment we will work with your partners to assess your accommodation and support needs and work with you to identify appropriate accommodation and support options.

To help support your case you will need to bring supporting evidence with you. Including any evidence of any medical or support needs you might have and any current support you might be receiving from another organisation.

The earlier you contact the Housing Needs Team, the greater the chance of us helping you secure accommodation.

If you are at immediate risk of homelessness?

If you don't have anywhere to stay then contact the Housing Needs Team. The Team may have a duty to help you find somewhere on an emergency basis and will assess your longer term housing and support needs. They may be able to help you with a crisis bed or emergency accommodation.

If you need to move in the longer term?

If you are able to remain in your home but only for a short period of time (whilst you are waiting to be released) the Housing Needs Team will be able to explore other housing options with you including purchasing a property, renting in the private sector or applying for social or supported housing.

If you need help to remain living in your current home?

The Housing Needs Team can work with you and other agencies to review any support you are getting or help you identify support that will enable you to remain living in your current home. For young people (under 25) living with families we may be able to refer you to a mediation service.

If you have no/low income?

You may also be able to apply for benefits such as Universal Credit, Personal Independence Allowance and Housing/Council Tax Benefits the Job Centre Plus and the Hub team can help you with this.

The Housing Needs Team can help you with a Rent Bond to secure a property in the private rented sector, if this is an option for you.

Support

The Housing Needs Team will work closely with you to identify your support needs and will continuously review the advice and advocacy services available to you, and develop outreach support services according to your needs.