

**Lawrence House welcomes all applications. The Accommodation is suitable for:**

- Single people aged 16-24 years old, without dependants
- People actively seeking to improve their situation
- Those who want to succeed with the support we can offer
- Those who really do want to take the first steps in achieving their own sustainable accommodation.

All candidates are individually risk assessed for suitability to become a resident at Lawrence House and this will include history of criminal convictions. Lawrence House is a higher support level, short term accommodation project. Referrals are only refused if health and safety risks are unacceptable or the eligibility criteria are not met.

**Equality and Diversity Policy**

Hinckley Homeless Group seeks to ensure that no prospective resident receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of gender, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion, disability, sexuality, HIV status or personal circumstances.

**How to apply**

Application forms are available from Lawrence House or can be downloaded from our website. We are not emergency “open access” accommodation. All applicants need to complete an application form and attend an informal interview to assess their support needs and risks.

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# Lawrence House



*Hinckley Homeless Group founded Lawrence House, medium-stay supported accommodation for 16-25 year olds, in 1992 in conjunction with Leicester Housing Association.*



### **About Lawrence House**

Lawrence House is medium stay supported accommodation for homeless young people in the Hinckley & Bosworth area of Leicestershire. We provide accommodation for 12 people between the ages of 16 and 25 of either sex.

Lawrence House is a No Smoking building in all public areas. Smoking is allowed in resident's rooms only.

### **What we offer**

The project provides a private room for each individual, with a range of communal facilities, including bathrooms, toilets, kitchens, laundry and a communal lounge, complete with pool table, games, books, TV, table tennis equipment and other items kindly donated to us.

### **More than a roof**

A key-worker system is operated, which offers the young people living there the support that they feel is necessary in many areas of their lives, such as benefits, budgeting, life skills, family relationships, and career choices. In addition to this, there is always a member of staff on duty and available to give support and advice or just to listen.

A staff member is on site all the time except weekend mornings, with sleep in night cover to deal with emergencies.

### **Referral Process**

Individuals can apply directly to Lawrence House. We also accept referrals from other agencies such as Social Services, Probation, Hinckley & Bosworth Council, Young People's Information Centre and any other statutory voluntary group.

A support agreement may need to be signed by a social worker or other professional, before a client is accepted. This may happen when the support needs of the client are higher than can be provided by the staff team at Lawrence House.

Applications are considered from homeless young people whether unemployed, working or on benefits

Applications are considered from homeless young people who are physically disabled who feel they can cope with the environment and don't require help with physical care.

### **Move on/ Resettlement work**

The maximum time a person can stay at Lawrence House is 12 months.

Throughout their stay at the project, each young person will be encouraged and supported by staff who work alongside them on a resettlement package, with the objective of securing move on to lower level support at the Wykin Project or independent accommodation if required. This resettlement package includes an opportunity to save into Hinckley Homeless Group's Bond Scheme.

After leaving Lawrence House, advice and support is still available from the project if the person moving on feels they require this.

### **Management**

The Lawrence House Project is directly managed by Hinckley Homeless Group, which is a registered charity.