

AT HOME

Everyone has a right to settled, good quality, mainstream housing as quickly as possible.

We Need a housing & homelessness system which believes ...

- Access to settled, good quality, mainstream housing, as quickly as possible, is our right
- Time spent in any form of temporary accommodation should be reduced to a minimum, with the fewer transitions the better
- When temporary accommodation is needed, the best type is mainstream, furnished and within a community
- Congregate accommodation and dormitory night shelters were never the answer, but especially not during the coronavirus pandemic

What will help?

- Housing First, first!
- Supported housing that is smaller with the best physical and trauma informed environment
- Understand that current, or recent, housing insecurity and personal vulnerability links to rough sleeping - this needs our full attention!
- Create genuine choice for where and how people live
- Include sharing options where people want it
- Focus on people (re)building their lives and social connections through safe, secure housing
- Understand that, while an important safety net, time spent in temporary accommodation is damaging

What would get in the way?

- Not having the right support available for people
- Not having enough safe, affordable housing where people want to live