

**Cherwell Connection Housing Project** offers accommodation and support to people

- who have offended or who have an offending history
- who have a significant drug or alcohol problem
- who are homeless and will engage in treatment

#### CHERWELL CONNECTION HOUSING PROJECT

- Is friendly, organised and reliable
- Helps with coping with a tenancy
- Supports you to make lifestyle changes
- Doesn't do everything for you

#### **How can I get help through the Project?**

You need to be referred by your Probation Officer, social worker or drug worker.

You may also contact us directly if you prefer. See below.

#### **What happens once I'm referred?**

##### **Step One**

You'll meet with a Support Worker within two weeks.

You'll discuss whether you are ready to live independently and what support you need. This will be agreed between the two of you.

##### **Step Two**

You must commit yourself to this support and use it constructively. It will be a condition of your tenancy that you receive regular support from Connection.

##### **Step Three**

You may have to wait some time before you are housed.

Connection may be able to support you during the wait.

##### **Step Four**

When it becomes available, accommodation is provided by Paradigm or Sanctuary Housing Associations on a short tenancy of between six to 18 months.

#### **What happens at the end of the tenancy?**

Your accommodation is an Assured Shorthold Tenancy, which is renewable every six months and could last up to 18 months.

If everything goes well, you'll be put forward for permanent "move on" accommodation. Your Support Worker will help you with this.