





How can we support young people leaving care?









What we will cover

- The response to young people leaving
 Care in Greater Manchester
- How NHP fits into the response
- The NHP approach
- Making a house a home
- Relationship-based practice
- Conversations
- Idea sharing







Write on a post-it and share with someone near you...

...who you are and why you chose this session.



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Working to make a difference

- There are over 4,000 care leavers up to the age of 25 in Greater Manchester and more young people leave care each week.
- "The Greater Manchester Care Leaver Guarantee is all about providing support and opportunities to our young people that have been in care. All 10 Greater Manchester Local Authorities along with a wide range of partners worked together to create a series of entitlements and offers to help care leavers lead happy and healthy lives and to achieve their goals."





House Project Background and context

- What young people told us
- What we did
- Codesign young people at the heart and always have ownership of their project and the House Project approach. Care Leavers National Movement (CLNM)
- Currently 20 LHPs with another 6 due to start this year.
- Evidence based and independently evaluated
- Figures: 733 young people, 409 moved in, 0 evictions





What is a Local House Project?

- Each LHP 3 staff cohort of 10-12 per year
- Every project has a base
- Staff trained to understand the impact of trauma and supported by a psychologist and Practice Lead from NHP
- Psychologically informed practice framework based on groupwork approach
- AQA accredited House Project Programme
- Young people usually 16 ½ to 17 when they start the project and 17 ½ when they begin to move into their own homes.









Greater Manchester House Project



- 7 local authorities work with NHP to enable young people to have House Projects
- There are 3 House Projects in Greater Manchester (Manchester/Trafford, Bury/Rochdale/Oldham, Stockport/Tameside)
- 104 young people are part of Greater Manchester House Project
- 40 young people have already moved into their homes





More about NHP in GM and beyond



Peer Evaluation

Recommendations:

- No Conversation about me without me
- Good mental health for all
- A community beyond moving in
- Local opportunities for Local House Projects





"It has opened my eyes to a whole new realisation that creating a home is more than just owning keys to four walls and a door but it's finding happiness and making memories in the process of finding what's best for you'."







What makes a house a home?

- Think about what makes a house a home.
- Write your ideas down on a post-it.

You have 5 minutes!







What makes a house a home?

- Does anything that people have said surprise you?
- Would you change anything?







Relationship-based practice: Social Pedagogy

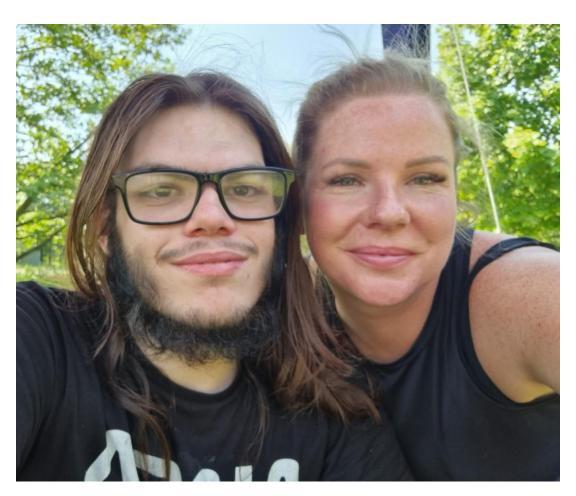


Eichsteller and Holstoff (2012)





Professional Friendship



- What does professional friendship mean in your context?
- Is it possible?
- How could it be improved?





Things to think about...

- Would you move to a house you hadn't seen?
- When you moved to be interdependent:
 - What challenges did you face?
 - Who helped you overcome them?
 - Who helps you now?





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