Homelessness and Housing Options in Bury

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Regional Perspective



Opportunities

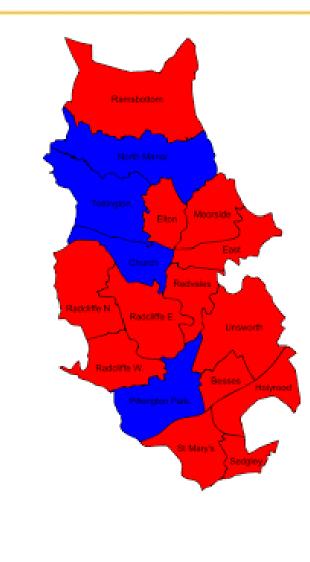
- Homelessness profile has been raised
- Housing First
- A Bed Every Night
- Working in neighbourhoods

Since 2010 in GM:

- Temporary accommodation ▲ 236%
- Homelessness presentations ▲ 79%
- Homelessness acceptances ▲ 69%
- Rough sleeping ▲ 361%

1 homelessness/housing need presentation in GM every 20 minutes, of every hour, of every day





Homelessness and Rough sleeping statistics

Homelessness Cases

• 1082

Temporary accommodation placements

• 183 cases all together. 66 are in hotels (37 families and 29 singles)

Housing Register applications

• 2865

Rough sleepers

• 24 confirmed over the month of October 24

Asylum accommodation

- 450 asylum seekers in the borough (not refugees)
- 25 discontinuation notices received in October
- 115 Ukrainian refugees accommodated with hosts under H4U.



Bury Homelessness Strategy 2022 to 2025



Making life better in partnership



Main reasons of increase in homelessness

- Cost of Living
- Lack of social housing with high waiting times
- Expensive housing market in Bury and GM
- Breakdown of relationships
- Lack of housing options for young people
- Increase in complex needs (Mental Health, Substance misuse and Offending behaviours)
- Non-priority customers
- Migration pressures

Current provision

Statutory homelessness/housing options

Temporary accommodation

Housing allocations

Rough Sleeper Outreach service

Commissioned services (ABEN, RSAP, CAS3)

Neighbourhood Housing Support

Private Rented Sector

Asylum and Immigration



<u>Bury Homelessness</u> <u>Partnership</u>

Our Homelessness Partnership is a forum of multiple organisations who deliver services to the homeless community, including partners from statutory and the faith and voluntary sectors.

Homelessness is not just a problem for statutory services like our council, but for all services and the community.

Partnership pledge

We pledge that we will work to improve outcomes for homeless people in Bury by ensuring timely and fair assessments, robust pathways, high quality housing provisions, aspirational exit strategies and continued wrap around support.

Who attends the Partnership?

Achieve, Mental Health services, Adult Social Care, Public Health, Housing services, VCFE organisations, Domestic Abuse, Community safety, Commissioned providers, sexual health, GMCA, Migration support, GMP, Commissioning service, Leaving Care Team. Homeless and Rough sleeping Health wrap around support Rough sleeping task and target

Hospital Discharge Protocol

Prison Pathway Group

Transition pathways

A Bed every night (ABEN)

Migration pathways

What does the future look like

- Neighbourhood Housing Support services
- Transition of ALMO into Bury Council
- Increase in temporary accommodation stock
- Reviewing of current commissioned services



