## **RESIDENT REFERRAL CRITERIA**

Abundant Housing (Support Services) CIC Supported Housing Referral Form

Location of Property: West Lindsey Borough

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**PART 1: Introduction** 

Dear Referral Agency, if you are thinking of making a referral to our supported housing project please give us a call first. Thank you.

## 1.1 OVERVIEW

Abundant Housing (Support Services) CIC will commence operating its first supported accommodation home with four bed spaces in May 2025 West Lindsey Borough. This supported accommodation is aimed at individuals age 18+.

Abundant Housing (Support Services) CIC is a Christian Organisation and therefore all residents will need to be comfortable that this will influence the way we work. There is, however, no requirement to be a Christian to join the house.

The Abundant Housing (Support Services) CIC Team is led by Marylyne Martin who has developed a specialist knowledge and experience in housing support and providing training. She has expertise in delivering housing and support solutions for vulnerable groups in society. This includes people that have experienced homelessness due to current challenges in the housing market or those who have been identified as having housing and additional support needs.

Abundant Housing (Support Services) CIC will supply a home where residences can rebuild their lives through gaining skills and knowledge that will encourage independence by empowering them to become inclusive in their communities and contribute meaningfully to society. The areas of development can include meaningful activities in the following areas: Educational and/or Employment Skills, Planning and Maintaining **Emergency and Safety Skills** 

Food Management Health and Wellbeing Support Housekeeping Housing Interpersonal Skills, Trust and Hope Knowledge of Community Resources Legal Skills Money Management/Consumer Awareness Personal Appearance and Hygiene Pregnancy Prevention/Parenting and Child Care Transportation

Where necessary, we will work together with the resident and relevant statutory agencies to provide the agreed activities that will enhance their life experience and fulfil agreed outcomes. Provision will be implemented both internally and in collaboration with local organisations who offer services in line with the agreed development.

Our residents will be encouraged and supported every step of the way and together, we will ensure to celebrate milestones and achievements each resident makes towards meeting their independent living goals.

## PART 2: Our Referral Criteria

To refer a person to Abundant Housing (Support Services) CIC for supported accommodation the candidate MUST meet the following criteria:

## General Criteria

- 1. Minimum Age: 18+ years old
- 2. Maximum Age: None but would always be subject to an assessment of needs
- 3. Must be eligible to receive Housing Benefit and prepared to stay at the residence for a minimum term of six months
- 4. Whilst there is no maximum stay, the resident should be prepared to enter a review on next steps if they have resided at the property for 1 year (regular reviews are every 3 months).
- 5. We can house those in addiction recovery but are unable to house anyone currently alcohol dependent or using a controlled drug. No alcohol is permitted on the premises.
- 6. In terms of any sexual offenses, we would need full details and be able to speak to an offender manager prior to being able to make a decision.
- 7. Anyone self-harming would be subject to a full risk assessment
- 8. Must not keep pets at the residence.

Support Related Referral Criteria:

- 1. Must have at least some medium support needs
- 2. Must be willing to work with Abundant Housing (Support Services) CIC weekly to meet the objectives of their Support Plan. This will include engaging with (and not restricted to) relevant activities, residents' meetings and workshops.
- 3. Must have a desire to be helped towards positive change
- 4. Must be willing to abide by the House Rules, Regulations and License Agreement
- 5. Must be comfortable with the Christian values of Abundant Housing (Support Services) CIC
- 6. Must be willing to engage with the project and participate in a minimum of 3 hours per week of meaningful activities, in-house and via the community initiatives. These can include:
  - Job skills-training
  - Preparation for interviews-training and advice and guidance
  - Planning to start work-training, advice and guidance
  - Work experience and work orientation days-On the job training
  - Education courses to support progression into employment
  - Cooking and housekeeping skills-training
  - Personal development and well-being courses/sessions

A separate referral form is provided. When filling out our referral form please make sure you fill out the form with as much detail as possible.