



Rising Sun
Domestic Violence
& Abuse Service

Project Liberty Accommodation

Supported housing for homeless young women with experience of domestic abuse and who are pregnant or have a young baby.



“Creating and developing independence and futures”

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What Do We Offer?

At Project Liberty Accommodation, The Rising Sun Domestic Violence and Abuse Service (Rising Sun) will provide safe and secure survivor centred accommodation, within an informal, needs led and holistic environment.

Located close to amenities, the house comprises of five individual spacious bedrooms with a sink, fridge and kettle. The communal facilities include a kitchen, three bathrooms, a lounge, family/play room and a large garden.

Each resident will be allocated a key-worker, who they will meet with regularly, alongside other Rising Sun team members. They will be listened to and supported to draw on their own strengths to build safe and independent futures for themselves and their babies. Residents will also have access a range of support including: 1:1 therapy and counselling; life skills workshops such as positive parenting, resilience, simple health and hygiene, budgeting, employability; Support and advocacy around domestic abuse and healthy relationships.

Criteria for a referral

Rising Sun can accommodate any young woman who is:

- Pregnant or with a young baby
- Aged between 16 and 24 years old
- Homeless or facing impending homelessness
- Has experienced domestic abuse in the family home or a personal relationship
- In need of support and willing to engage and develop skills needed for both motherhood and independence
- Able to live in shared accommodation with others in similar situations with similar support needs

Residents can be referred anytime during their confirmed pregnancy and stay until their baby reaches eighteen months of age. We are not able to provide 'move on' accommodation or hasten the normal process.

Making a referral

Any organisation can refer a young woman to the service and we also accept self-referrals. To make a referral, please download our referral form from our website www.risingsunkent.com or email us at cantercarehouse@risingsunkent.com If you have any questions please feel free to call our Project Liberty Team on 01227 767180.

Our History

In late 2019, Rising Sun Domestic Violence and Abuse Service merged with another local charity, Cantercare, to develop the service and build on the Cantercare legacy.

With a lengthy track-record of 40 years, providing a wide range of reflective and trauma informed services for victims and survivors of domestic abuse, Rising Sun has developed the work of Cantercare by investing in a major refurbishment of the property. Establishing a modern, fit for purpose accommodation and adding a new service to the established Project Liberty.



About Project Liberty

The accommodation is part of Project Liberty which supports young women and girls aged 16 to 24 years, who have experienced, are at risk of or are currently experiencing domestic abuse. This is through:

- 1:1 psychoeducational mentoring and emotional support
- Young person's IDVA (Independent Domestic Violence Advocate) and Outreach support, for those facing safety or other concerns due to domestic abuse
- A supportive group programme, exploring the tactics and effects of domestic abuse, leaving abusive relationships and identifying early warning signs
- Supported accommodation

Working in partnership

Rising Sun Domestic Violence and Abuse Service works alongside many other agencies that help us to meet the needs of residents of Project Liberty Accommodation. The team welcomes visits from partners who would like to find out more about our service and the facilities we offer. We would also be happy to hear from agencies who would be interested in working in partnership with us. Please call the Rising Sun office on 01227 452852 or Cantercare House 01227 76180 or email cantercare@risingsunkent.com

Support Us

If you would like to support this project by giving a regular or one off donation please call 01227 452852 or email judith@risingsunkent.com

We also welcome hearing from anyone wishing to volunteer for the project.

Contact Us

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Our office hours are Mon-Fri 9am – 5pm