

Support Services 4th Quarter report

Advice & Information

We've had a busy quarter with **33** young people either self referring or being referred by partner organisations. Of these:

- 13** Have been successfully rehoused
- 8** Are currently viewing properties
- 1** Was referred directly onto SHAID's Floating Support service or other advice agencies.
- 11** Have remained at home

Floating Support

SHAID are currently supporting **29** young people on our Floating Support service and have **2** on the waiting list.



Alison Stephenson
Pre Tenancy Worker

St Peter's Court Website

In February SHAID launched a new website specifically for St Peter's Court our Supported Accommodation Project based in Sacriston for former members of the armed forces.

To find out more simply log on to www.stpeterscourt.org



Well Done Team

SHAID workers, volunteers and Cllr Thomas Nearney spent a very cold and rainy night under the stars to raise awareness of homelessness in the county and also raise money through sponsorship for our hardship fund which is used to provide financial assistance to services users when in crisis.

The team raised a total of £850.65. SHAID's Board of Directors and Management would like to thank the team for participating in the event.

Well Done Everyone.



Did You Know

If you are a young person aged 16 to 25 and live within Derwentside, you can now self refer to SHAID's Pre Tenancy Support Service by using our online form.

Simply log onto www.shaid.org.uk click on the Online Referrals tab and enter your information and hit the Submit button.

Once received a worker will be in contact to invite you in to our office for a chat and help you with your housing issues.



SHAID Subscribe to New Donations Platform

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for SHAID?

There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Booking.com, The Train Line and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra and is so simple to use.

Follow the simple steps below;

1. www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/shaid/ and join for free.

2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.

3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to SHAID for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and SHAID will be really grateful for your donations.

Thank you for your support.



The Freedom Zone

A social group for members of the LGBTQ+ community aged 14-25 and their families

The Freedom Zone is a non judgemental space where you can share experiences, make new friends & have fun.

If you'd like more info please contact

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Standing Room Only Down @ PACT House

An audience with Terry Deary

Over 25 fans gathered together in our training room at PACT House on Monday 16th January. Oh, and Jasper the dog.

Terry inspired the audience with his life story, describing in detail the hardship and ambitions of his parents struggle, leading us into his own journey from early childhood, and the expectations of the time given to northerners entering the world of work, to becoming a renowned author, selling over thirty million books worldwide, and three hundred published titles.

Terry's presentation captivated his tenacity and creativity. Terry also included the element of luck, he explained how through his attraction to a beautiful young lady enrolling onto a college course at the same time led to Terry enrolling onto her chosen course, which he hadn't previously considered. This move became Terry's first foot onto the path of success, (disappointedly for Terry, not with the young lady).

Terry was brilliant, he brought with him his winner's trophy from the BBC Celebrity Mastermind Quiz programme, which was a treat to see, Terry is a patron of a number of charities, but he chose to allocate the appearance fee of three thousand pounds to SHAID which will be used to provide unemployed 16 -24 year olds with an overnight residential, adventure activity experience at the Lake District.

Terry delighted everyone by answering their questions with honesty and humour, a great night was had by all including Jasper the dog who physically demonstrated his appreciation!

Terry,

Thank you so much, for your continued support.



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