

A Homelessness Strategy for North Tyneside 2023-2028

Our Homelessness Prevention and Rough Sleeping Strategy will support the Council's ambition to **Building a Better North Tyneside** through contribution to the following Council Plan priorities:

- We will maintain the Council Tax support scheme that cuts bills for thousands of households across North Tyneside
- We will tackle health and socio-economic inequalities across the Borough including through our Poverty Intervention Fund to tackle food poverty
- People will be cared for, protected, and supported if they become vulnerable, including if they become homeless
- We will support local community groups and the essential work they do
- We will work to reduce inequality, eliminate discrimination, and ensure the social rights of the people of North Tyneside are key to Council decision making

Our themes and actions

End Rough Sleeping

- Complete a review of our rough sleeping support offer
- Introduce a new approach to data collection to inform our response to rough sleeping
- Research and introduce new approaches to prevent rough sleeping
- Explore accommodation pathways for rough sleepers

Our Accommodation Offer

- Deliver an improved accommodation offer
- Introduce new options to support tenancy sustainment
- Review our outreach support offer to ensure we continue to meet our clients' needs
- Work with specialist housing commissioners to identify further service needs
- Continue to improve the private rented offer and work collaboratively with landlords and tenants

Collaborative Partnerships

- Continue to strengthen our local and regional partnerships to tackle homelessness
- Work with our partners to identify further funding opportunities
- Actively promote homeless related services and signposting to partners
- Review our service information and ensure that it is accessible to all