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## Who can Apply:

Women with mental health needs who require a period of support and accommodation. The needs of the women can be varied and complex. In order for these to be met we jointly work with voluntary and statutory agencies. Some of the areas of joint working are mental health, probation, addictions, abuse, debt management and work or training development.

Often women are not ready for living totally independently and need a more supported communal living arrangement to help them to develop the confidence and skills to move on. Leigh House can offer this.

## Equality and Diversity:

Leigh House is committed to delivering its' services based on meeting the needs of individuals. Fairweather promotes and celebrates diversity of culture, age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation and disability.

## Referrals:

To make a referral to Leigh House please :

**Ring on  
01274 410956**

Initially you will be asked to provide some simple details and the application process will be explained. Staff members will make an assessment of your needs and decide whether we can offer you the support you want, using the information from the woman and the people who work with her. We will tell you if we have a suitable vacancy. If not, we will be able to direct you to other sources of help.

You can appeal against a decision not to offer a place or an assessment made by our staff. The appeal will be heard by staff other than those making the assessment or decision. Women can be accompanied to an appeal meeting after which a decision will be made.



# LEIGH HOUSE

**Supported Housing for  
Women with Mental Health  
Needs**

**TEL: 02174 410956**

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## Fairweather

Fairweather believes that all women and children have the right to the opportunity to develop their lives in line with their aspirations and to respect from all involved with them. We work in an empowering way to enable people to be involved, grow, be valued at all levels within Fairweather community and within society generally.

We are funded by Supporting People and work in conjunction with Yorkshire Housing.

Fairweather concentrates on positive outcomes for women and families which include the following areas:

- Manage finances
- Gain work, training & education
- Live a fulfilled life in line with preferences and beliefs
- Develop good personal links with family and people generally
- Manage physical & mental health
- Maintain appropriate accommodation
- Control own life & be confident

## Accommodation Services:

Leigh House provides supported temporary accommodation to 5 women. The house is shared with communal living facilities. Each woman has her own room.

Women are encouraged to take an active role at Leigh House through regular house meetings, opportunities to be a part of Fairweather community and to influence the organisation as a whole.

## Support Services:

A Keyworker is assigned to each resident in order to offer practical and emotional support. During their stay, women will be helped to develop skills and the confidence needed for moving on into independent accommodation. The staff team are committed to delivering support services in conjunction with other relevant agencies as we are not able to fulfil all needs. The women will be supported to access mental health support appropriate to their needs and wishes.

## Staffing:

A small staff team provide support throughout the week.

Staff support women to develop personally and to take part in the joint activities within the house setting and in the community.

Independence is promoted and staff work closely with the women and other professional to enable them to develop the skills and confidence to move on.

## Resettlement Services:

Assistance is given to residents to find suitable and appropriate move-on accommodation.

In conjunction with the Floating Support team and other agencies, we will provide support, advice and practical assistance tailored to the individual women's needs.

Continued support can be sought from our Floating Support Team.