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ENDING YOUTH HOMELESSNESS

What Works In Tackling Poverty

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Our Mission

**The Rock Trust aims to
prevent youth
homelessness and to
support young people to
build better futures**

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Services

- ▶ **Emergency Accommodation**
- ▶ **Housing Support**
- ▶ **Visiting Support**
- ▶ **Drop In Centre and Group Work**
- ▶ **Peer Mentoring**



Key Successes

- ▶ **Strong links**
- ▶ **Co-location and duty support when needed**
- ▶ **Shared accommodation – with flatmate**
- ▶ **Young people value informal relationship**
- ▶ **Non vocational courses on offer**
- ▶ **Allowed to make mistakes**



Challenges

- ▶ **Accommodation difficult to replicate**
- ▶ **Waiting lists**
- ▶ **High rents**
- ▶ **DWP sanctions**
- ▶ **Lack of internet in properties**
- ▶ **Transparency of tenure**
- ▶ **Focus on life skills before employability**



Going Forward

- ▶ **Housing First for Youth**
- ▶ **More Shared Accommodation**
- ▶ **Internet access and use of hotspots**
- ▶ **Training Academy**
- ▶ **20 More (Ruth Campbell at Comas)**

