



Housing advice and support for young people leaving care

for the South Oxfordshire and
Vale of White Horse Districts



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Leaving care is a big step, Oxfordshire County Council provides help for care leavers to prepare for adulthood and independent living. The council offers personal advisors who can give advice on:

- Information on the help you get if you leave care aged under 18
- Help with finding accommodation
- Advice on education, employment and training
- Looking after your health and wellbeing
- Your finances

For more information please contact the Oxfordshire County Council Leaving Care team on 01865 815540.

If you are looking for somewhere to live, are aged between 18 and 24 and have been in care, your personal advisor may be able to refer you for a supported housing placement.

Should you find yourself homeless or at risk of homelessness, you or your personal advisor can contact our housing team. We will allocate you a housing officer who will offer a number of options including:

- A place in a hostel or supported accommodation
- Mother and baby supported accommodation
- A room in a shared house

Our housing officer will create a personal housing plan which you will be expected to follow. Failure to do so may lead to us ending our help. We can also end our assistance if you refuse an offer of accommodation.



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Our contact details

South and Vale Housing Team 01235 422452
housing@southandvale.gov.uk

Online assistance

You can receive online housing assistance, tailored to your circumstances, by completing our self-help housing options tool:

Vale of White Horse District Council:
<http://www.whitehorsehomechoice.org.uk/>

South Oxfordshire District Council:
<https://www.southoxfordshirehomechoice.org.uk/>

You may also be asked to complete the online assessment to help our team ensure you receive the best housing advice available.

Our service promise - All emails will receive a response within one working day

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils
135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, Abingdon, OX14 4SB

Our office hours are 8.30am to 5pm Monday to Thursday and 8.30am to 4.30pm on a Friday



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Useful contacts

Looked after and Leaving Care Service

Oxford City 01865 323222

Banbury 01865 816677

Abingdon 01865 897984

Oxfordshire County Council, New Road, Oxford OX1 1ND
01865 792422 (main switchboard)

<http://oxcentric.oxme.info/cms/>

<http://www.thewhocarestrust.org.uk/>

<http://leavingcare.org>



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