MANCHESTER HOMELESSNESS CHARTER

VISION

To put an end to homelessness in Manchester

The Manchester Homelessness Partnership calls on the citizens of Manchester, the city council, healthcare and other public sector services, charities, faith groups, businesses, institutions and other organisations to adopt the values of this charter; and to implement it through improved working practices, specific pledges and by working together in new ways.

VALUES

While homelessness remains, this charter provides guiding principles concerning the rights of people who are homelessor at risk of homelessness.

We believe that everyone who is homeless should have a right to:

A safe, secure home
along with an appropriate level of support to create a good quality of life

Safety
from violence, abuse, theft and discrimination, and the full protection of the law

Respect
and a good standard of service everywhere

Equality of access
to information and services

Equality of opportunity
to employment, training, volunteering, leisure and creative activities.

We believe that those who work with people who are homeless have a collective responsibility to ensure that:

Good communication, coordination and a consistent approach
is delivered across all services

People with experience of homelessness have a voice and involvement
in designing the services aimed at helping them.

TAKING ACTION

Everyone has a role to play in improving outcomes for people experiencing homelessness.

If you wish to adopt the vision and values of the Manchester Homelessness Charter, you should demonstrate your commitment by doing the following:

- Make a pledge to take action towards ending homelessness. Lists of relevant pledges and help with creating your own are available on the Street Support website

- Work in partnership by participating in one of the action groups set up around priority issues. These are designed to change how homelessness is tackled in the city

- Display the Manchester Homelessness Charter once the relevant pledges have been made.

If you want to find out more, make a pledge, or sign up to the charter go to:

charter.streetsupport.net