

#### Site

HMP & YOI Peterborough

#### Name of project / initiative

Accommodation project

#### Overview

The accommodation project is a joint enterprise between Sodexo HMP Peterborough, Sodexo CRC and NACRO and aims to provide stable accommodation for prisoners with entrenched patterns of offending behaviour for whom it has been difficult to find accommodation on release.

The project provides 15 units of accommodation leased by NACRO from commercial landlords, and equipped and furnished by NACRO - the tenants pay rent, supported by housing benefit. NACRO also engage the Local Authority and Benefits Agencies, supported by the CRC, and provide ongoing tenancy management and support.

In addition, a 'wrap-around' support function has been developed offering different levels of support according to need, including drug services, benefit advice, help finding employment and someone to accompany them to appointments if required. The support workers are funded by Sodexo HMP Peterborough and Sodexo CRC. The accommodation is medium term, with the objective of securing permanent follow-on accommodation.

#### Longevity

Since summer 2019

#### Benefits

See 'overview'

#### Uniqueness

We're not aware of similar initiatives elsewhere

#### Applicability

Would be relevant to all areas and could be rolled out more widely

#### Requirements

Partnerships with others to provide the wrap around services and assist in sourcing and managing appropriate accommodation.

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