

Urban Reslience Strategies



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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

CityCo's Workshop Approach

- Location based, sector based, single business - all work
- Panel of partners, including personal experience
- No taboo questions opportunity to explore the impact and issues
- Gauge the business audience for insight, experiences and attitude it advance - it will vary and inform the tone of your workshop and who to invite



Aims and Objectives

You can't solve homelessness, rough sleeping and begging in an hour.

Be clear on why you are holding the session.



Set the Ground Rules: Language Matters

- Person who is homeless
- Person who sleeps rough
- Person who begs
- Person who commits anti-social behaviour



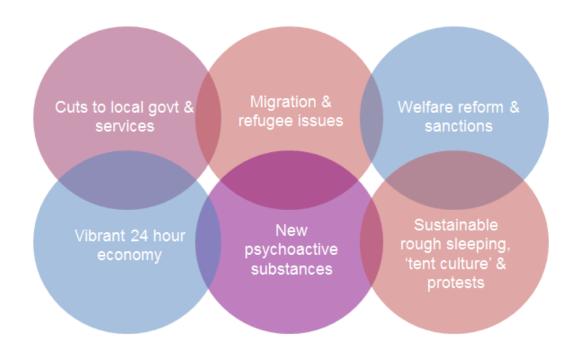
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Working together to improve outcomes for Manchester residents and businesses

Do your Homework

- Use relevant local examples and national statistics
- Do your research into local challenges (political, social, upcoming)
- Who is working in that space already?



By the end of the Workshop

- Have your resources ready to share (links to charities, apps, events, networks)
- Ask what will change in their lives/place of work as a result of the workshop
- What hasn't been addressed?
- Give time for post workshop networking



Summary of Best Practice

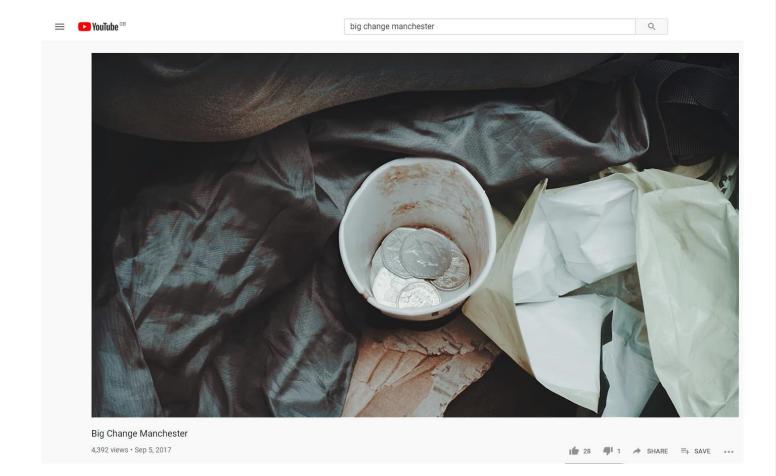
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- Be a useful partner
- Understand the differences between people who beg, sleep rough, are homeless or commit anti-social behaviour
- Understand the procedures and support available through public sector partners
- Have operational procedures in place to deal with needles, human waste etc
- Educate your staff, keep doing it in high turn over centres
- Have consistent messaging to staff and customers

Don't

- Wait until issues have reached crisis point
- Take an introvert approach to building or business management
- Assume that 'someone else' will dealt with it or report it
- Fail to use public sector support even if it can be difficult to see immediate results
- Give to non-partner charities or agencies

Watch Promotional Film



BigChangeMCR

Manchester ending homelessness





Manchester Advice MHP Charter ▼ Big Change ▼ Standards Toolkit ▼

Working Together to End Homelessness

Find support services near you, and see how you can help.

Find Help

Give Help

Where we are

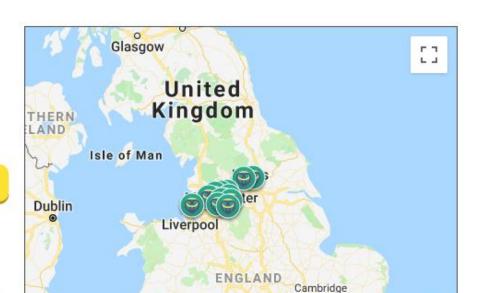
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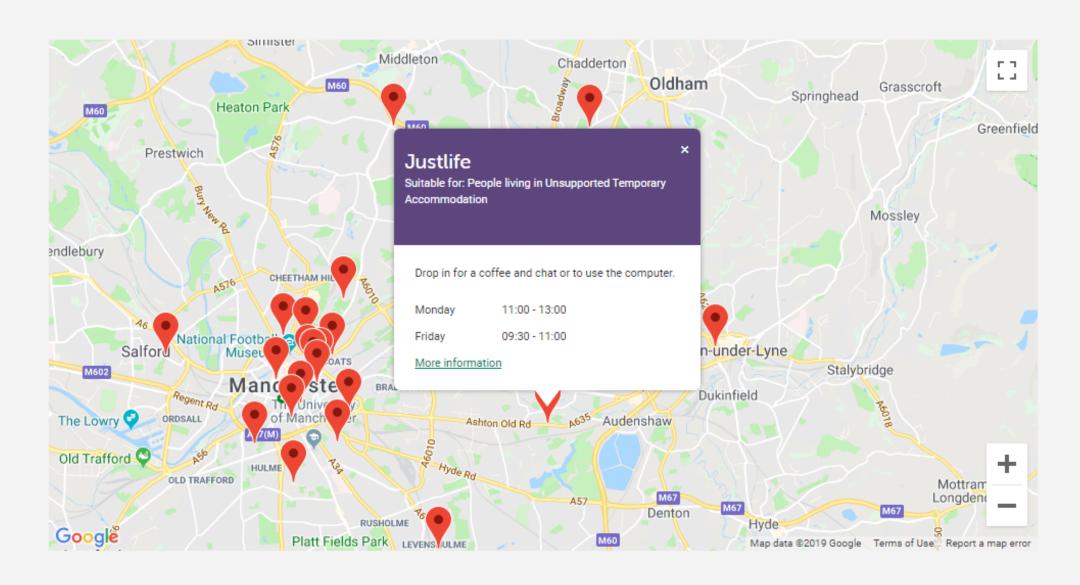
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- Select a location -

Visit location page

We would love to see the network grow







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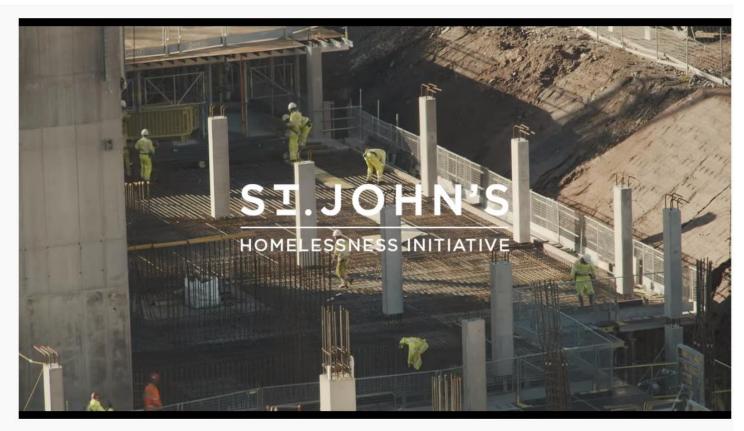
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