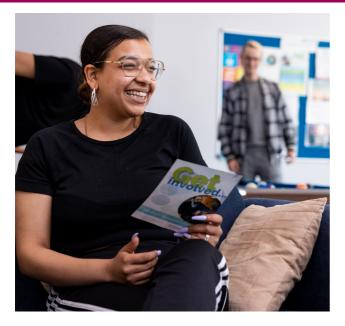


# THE VINERIES SEMI-INDEPENDENT ACCOMMODATION



## **ABOUT US**

Look Ahead is a specialist not-for-profit housing association and provider of tailor-made care, support and accommodation services. We support thousands of people across London and the South East with a diverse range of needs.

As a trauma informed housing provider, we are committed to improving the mental health and wellbeing of young people. We deliver over 20 services for young people and care leavers including

a wide range of accommodation-based support, floating and visiting support services.

## **ABOUT THIS SERVICE**

Our Vineries service is a high needs spot purchase semi-independent accommodation service for young people located in Barking & Dagenham. The service accommodates up to six young people aged 16-25, providing each customer their own self contained one bedroom flat.

We focus on creating a safe and homely environment where everyone is individually supported based on their own personal needs. Our teams are trained in trauma informed approaches and understand that mental and physical health difficulties can be a response to a person's life experiences.

They aim to prevent re-traumatisation, as they help young people find ways to cope and recover. This includes referral to our creative online mental health support for all customers of Look Ahead.

Our teams are dedicated to supporting young people into employment, education and training and to helping them to identify their goals and aspirations.





#### **OUR STAFF TEAM**

- Contract Manager
- Team Leader
- Specialist Support Worker
- Night Security Staff



### SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS





- Young people co-produce a range of activities throughout the year, including celebrating diversity and cultural festivities, understanding immigration workshops and group trips.
- The service is regularly audited by Look Ahead's internal quality team and is rated good for care.
- See Think Act: Our person-centred and traumainformed approach embeds the principles of psychologically informed environments.
- Bespoke support planning with access to Look Ahead's life skills programme.
- A flat adapted for a wheelchair user, which can also be used to house a mother and baby.
- An allotment space for growing organic fruit and vegetables.
- Access to phone translation services (please ask about additional staff languages).
- Short walk to Dagenham Heathway Tube (District Line).

#### What our young people think about Look Ahead:

"Look Ahead feels like home, we feel safe and listened to and know that staff will respond unconditionally and without judgement to challenges and issues".

Placement costs may vary depending on support hours, please get in touch for more information.

#### To find out more

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