



## Vision and Mission

### **Vision:**

A town where nobody has to sleep rough on the streets.

### **Mission:**

To open Church halls during the winter months, offering shelter, hospitality, and hope to people sleeping rough.

### **Culture and Ethos:**

*The Living Room* believes that every person, regardless of their circumstances, has great value and significance. Consequently *The Living Room* seeks to foster a culture and atmosphere of welcome and mutual respect and warmth.

### **Aims:**

- To enable people sleeping rough to have shelter, warmth, and hospitality for some nights every week during the winter months
- To improve outcomes for people sleeping rough who want to move on to permanent accommodation.

### **Objectives:**

- To provide safe shelter in churches for people otherwise sleeping rough
- To provide a simple hot meal and hospitality
- To assist and support guests to move on as and when appropriate
- To work closely with other agencies supporting people who are homeless
- To encourage churches and agencies to work together
- To be an example in the community, drawing volunteers from all areas of society.

**Activities:**

- One or more churches to offer a safe space, meal and hospitality to the homeless initially for one night a week over the winter period, with the hope of expanding to cover more nights of the week.
- To liaise closely with a range of agencies in order to ensure that visitors have links will which support them to move forwards in their lives
- To recruit and train an appropriate number of volunteers from all areas of the community.