



ALABARÉ CHRISTIAN CARE CENTRES

ENTRY CRITERIA

D A M A S C U S H O U S E

Damascus House is a short term (up to 2 years) Supported Housing Project providing Direct Access housing related support services linked to accommodation to single men, women and couples, aged 16 plus with low to Intensive support needs.

Our aim is to accept all local referrals (bed spaces permitting) and assess their suitability on an individual basis

We are unable to offer accommodation to the following categories.

- 1/ Anyone assessed as not having support needs.
- 2/ Anyone assessed as needing to be in a Care Home.
- 3/ Anyone assessed as being a high risk that is unmanageable within Damascus House

If we are unable to accept any one into Damascus House we will inform the referring agency by letter stating the reason.

If an offer of support and accommodation is made, this will be for an initial 28day assessment period. During this time a temporary licence will be issued and a needs & risk assessment will be carried out by a senior support worker from which a support plan will be drawn up. The resident will be asked to make an appointment with Salisbury District Council who will assess their suitability for council housing

If after the 28day assessment it becomes apparent that your client does not fit our criteria we will be unable to offer a full licence.

Support charges are met from the Supporting People Fund and are not means tested. All residents will be required to make a personal contribution to their accommodation charge without exception. This represents the ineligible portion of the accommodation charge as per housing benefit regulations and includes payment towards light and heat, water etc.

It is most important that all prospective residents agree to pay their personal contribution, remain responsible for claiming housing benefit appropriately and work with their Keyworker on their Support Plans. These responsibilities are a condition of the licence agreement