Can you help us improve life in Temporary Accommodation?

Do you manage, own or work as a landlord for any kind of temporary accommodation (TA) such as hostels, guest houses or B&Bs? Would you consider joining a Temporary Accommodation Action Group (TAAG)?

We need to hear from people with first-hand experience of running accommodation and who have a stake in improving the sector and the experiences of people living in TA.

What is a TAAG?

A TAAG is a collaborative, non-judgemental, local group that works to improve the experiences of people living in temporary accommodation. There are currently four: Brighton, East Sussex, Hackney and Manchester, but we are hoping to start more.

The TAAG brings together landlords, local authorities, charities, support services, health services and other parties from the TA world to improve the experiences of people living there. Your involvement can help people who provide TA understand what it is really like for residents and take action to improve it. TAAGs are open, inclusive spaces where you are free to speak your truth without judgement or ramifications.

Who are we looking for?

Anyone with experience of managing, owning or working as landlord for any kind of temporary accommodation who has an interest in improving the conditions for people living there, in improving the way the system of TA works and time to get involved.

Why join?

All the different people involved in TAAGs are there because they have some expertise or key role to play. Your insights and experiences can bring understanding of the issues and challenges faced by landlords of temporary accommodation.

A TAAG is a unique space where local stakeholders can come together to collaborate in a solutions focused way. As such it's a rare opportunity to hear first hand from people who may live in accommodation like yours, from commissioners, and charities; and to voice your views and share your ideas with them. It is also an opportunity to meet other landlords and discuss problems and solutions with them.

What does joining involve?

You decide when and how you want to participate but common commitments are:

- Attendance at quarterly meetings online
- Sharing your experiences
- Sharing your ideas for improving TA

"Being a member of a TAAG has enabled me to gain a broader understanding of temporary accommodation, beyond my niche. I have grown my professional network which allows me to confidently reach out to other services to assist our guests access the help they need. The TAAG is an open forum where your voice can be heard by like minded individuals, with a passion to improve the temporary accommodation journey through collaboration of disparate groups."

- Michael, Landlord involved in East Sussex TAAG

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