

Do you know where you will be living on release?

You should be involved in the discussion about where you will be living and feel comfortable with where you will be going.

A guide to your rights

- If you are unhappy with the accommodation provided for you, because you don't feel safe, or you will not be living near your family or support then you can challenge this decision.
- As a minimum you are entitled to:
 - Safe accommodation that meets your needs and provides the right support;
 - A social worker – this person is there to help you (finding a place to live and being able to afford it is easier with them!); and
 - Be involved in decisions and have things explained to you.
- **Checkpoint** ☒
 - ☐ **Do you know where you are going?**
 - ☐ **Do you know who will help you?**
 - ☐ **Do you know if you have to pay rent?**
 - ☐ **Do you know what will be expected of you?**

If you answered no to any of the above, tell one of the following people:

- Case/key worker
- YOT case manager
- Advocate,
- Social worker
- Personal advisor/ Leaving care advisor

It is their job to help you!





Types of accommodation you might be in when you leave:

- Living with foster carers
- In a children's home
- In a hostel
- Shared accommodation (living with other people in a shared house)
- Semi-independent accommodation

Ask your case worker/keyworker or one of the advocates to explain what these are and make sure you understand what will be expected of you when you are living there. For example, what will the rules be?

Ask your YOT worker and social worker how to contact them if you have any problems with your living arrangements once you are released or if your circumstances change.

My key contacts are (to be completed with your Caseworker/Key worker):

Name	Contact details
Caseworker / Keyworker :	
YOT worker:	
Social worker:	
Advocacy worker:	
Personal adviser/ Leaving care worker	



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