

Trafford Council

Homelessness Strategy 2025-2030 Summary



Introduction

Under the Homelessness Act 2002, it is a legal requirement for Local Housing Authorities to publish a new Homelessness Strategy every five years, after completing a review into homelessness within the borough.

In line with the legislation, the Trafford Homelessness Strategy 2025-2030 sets out the priorities for tackling homelessness in the borough over the next five years. The findings of the homelessness review have been used to shape the Strategy, which outlines the main causes of, and provides a strategic plan to tackle, homelessness and rough sleeping in Trafford.

This document provides a summary of the Trafford Homelessness Strategy 2025-2030.

Vision

The Trafford Homelessness Strategy 2025-2030 vision is:

“Work together to prevent homelessness and eradicate rough sleeping in Trafford”

Strategic Priorities

Following a review of policy and strategic context, homelessness in Trafford, and an analysis of internal and external data, the following strategic priorities have been identified:

- 1. Prevent homelessness in Trafford**
- 2. Increase the supply of good quality temporary accommodation and reduce the use of Bed and Breakfast accommodation.**
- 3. Ensure Trafford residents can access suitable settled move-on accommodation.**
- 4. Support residents to maintain their tenancies to avoid repeat homelessness.**
- 5. Work towards eradicating rough sleeping in Trafford.**

Each Strategic Priority has several key recommendations which the Council and its partners must deliver to achieve the overall vision of the Strategy. A Delivery Plan, which captures the recommendations, has been created to facilitate the delivery of the Homelessness Strategy.

Overview of Homelessness in Trafford 2019/20 to 2023/24



Number of housing enquiries received by HOST

311,415



Gender of main homeless applicant

Male - 51%
Female - 49%



Number of homeless applications processed by HOST

4,833



Type of temporary accommodation

B&B - 48% Self-contained - 35%
Refuge - 3% Shared House - 10%
Single room - 3% Dormitory - 1%

Number of households prevented from becoming homeless

1,616



Age of main homeless applicants

16 to 17 - 1% 18 to 25 - 24%
26 to 35 - 30% 36 to 45 - 22%
46 to 55 - 14% Over 55 - 9%



Number of homeless household placed in temporary accommodation

2,901



Length of stay in temporary accommodation

Less than 1 month - 42%
1 to 3 months - 30% 3 to 6 months - 15%
6 to 12 months - 11% Over 1 year - 2%



Number of homeless households re-housed into private sector housing

286



Makeup of homeless households

Adult/s with children - 35%
Adults with no children - 2%
Single adult - 63%



Number of household owed a homelessness duty

Prevention - 2,236
Relief - 2,693
Main - 1,517



Number of rough sleepers rehoused into settled homes

58

Number of homeless households re-housed into social sector housing

1,184



Location of last settled address

Altrincham - 10% Old Trafford - 17%
Partington - 7% Sale - 23%
Stretford - 23% Timperley - 6%
Urmston - 14%



Delivery of the Strategy

The strategic priorities and recommendations will be delivered through the Homelessness Strategy 2025-2030 Delivery Plan.

The Homelessness Strategy 2025-2030 cannot be delivered by the Council working in isolation; achievement will require collaborative working with public sector organisations at local and national level, alongside private and voluntary sector partners.

The Delivery Plan has been developed in partnership with stakeholders, partners and agencies and agreed by the Homelessness Champions Group (HCG). It will provide detailed actions and targets to ensure that we achieve the priorities identified over the next five years by 2030. The Delivery Plan will be reviewed annually to ensure that any changes in legislation and policies/strategies developed by the Council are reflected.

An annual statement will be published each year to show progress against the various objectives contained within this Strategy.