

### **Whitwood House**

Castleford, West Yorkshire

Life-changing residential care at the heart of the community





Whitwood House is a close-knit home offering 24-hour specialist residential care for up to 16 adults.

Whitwood House consists of three houses. Hanwell House and Gate House both have six bedrooms, and the Coach House has three bedrooms plus a self-contained flat. Each bedroom has a double bed, and everyone has access to shared bathrooms and communal areas, including the shared gardens.

We support people to improve their communication skills, to develop independence and to integrate with the local community. We have proven experience in reducing and replacing behaviours that challenge, enabling people to learn new skills, become more confident and move on into supported living or independent living in the community.

### It's good to know...



We're in Castleford which has a range of shops, cafés, pubs and restaurants. Leeds is 23-minutes away.



Sainsbury's is within walking distance, while Morrisons, Iceland, Aldi and Asda are a little further away.



The GP surgery and NHS dentist are within half a mile of the property.



There's a bus stop within a short walk, with routes into Pontefract and Castleford.



The nearby train station is just a nine-minute walk, and has services to Knottingley, Leeds and Sheffield.



There is plenty of on-site parking available for people with cars.







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# Support at Whitwood House

Whitwood House is suitable for adults with learning disabilities or autism, and we are ready to welcome someone new. There's a mix of people living here, ranging in age from 20s to 50s.

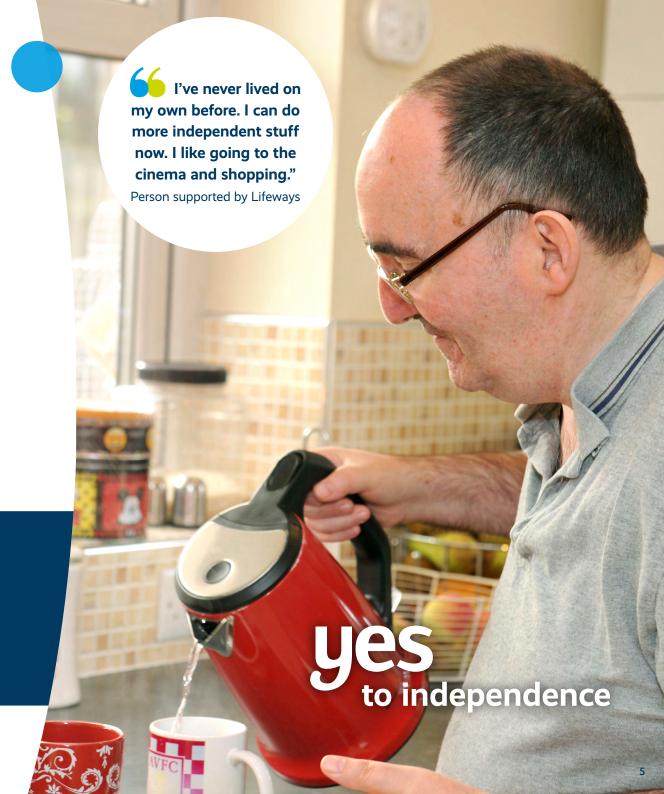
Everyone has lots of interests and hobbies including shopping, going to local cafés and walking. They also enjoy sports, television and a trip to the pub. They like spending time together and often arrange day trips, with a day at the seaside being a firm favourite.

Whoever moves in to Whitwood House will be provided with bespoke support tailored to their needs, enabling them to lead a rich and fulfilling life.

Our greatest asset is our skilled and caring team, who are vital in providing and maintaining our excellent quality of service. We invest a great deal of time and resources in training, enabling our people to provide the highest standard of care in this specialist setting.

Whitwood House is a special, happy place. The support team are friendly and committed and the people living here are treated like family. Everyone is supported to do whatever they love. People love socialising here and often eat meals together."

Manager at Whitwood House



# Refer to Lifeways with confidence

#### Step 1

Call or email us with your referral and we'll gather all the information we need to start the referral process.

#### Step 2

We'll arrange a one-to-one assessment to spend time with the person, their social worker and family, to understand their current situation, support needs and their mediumand long-term ambitions.

#### Step 3

Once we've built our recommendation for support, we'll arrange for the person, their family and social worker, if requested, to visit our available homes giving the opportunity to meet our team and ask any questions.

#### Step 4

We'll produce a funding proposal detailing the support hours required and then send it for funding approval, making sure all stakeholders are kept up to date with the progress.

#### Step 5

Once the funding is approved we'll agree on a move in date and start the transition with everyone involved. We'll be on hand to offer support and guidance throughout to make sure everything runs smoothly.



## Meet your **local team**



**Janine Forshaw**Community Engagement and Development Manager



**Karen Bloomfield** Enquiry Referral Assessment Manager

Our experienced assessment teams work closely with healthcare professionals and local authorities to provide the best support possible.

We'll work hand-in-hand with you, from arranging introductions, assessments and visits, all the way through to the move being complete and the kettle going on.

## To make a referral today

Call **0333 321 4881**email **referrals@lifeways.co.uk**or visit **lifeways.co.uk** 



