

# Camden Council is rethinking how it supports young people with care experience.

We have a number of opportunities for those with lived experience to get involved with the council's work coming up between September-November 2024.

We will thank you with a **£20 Love2Shop voucher** per hour of your time you spend with us.

Through all these pieces of work, your perspectives will be shared with Senior Leaders with the power to make change.

## Can you help?



# Upcoming opportunities for 18-28 year olds



Design the future of support to find and keep housing

An opportunity for up to 7 young people to work with our Strategy and Design team to shape the future of support to find and keep housing in Camden.

Take part in 3 workshops and gain experience designing and analysing research on the experiences of young people who have received support from Camden.



Help us create a brand new Hub for care experienced young people

An opportunity for 2 young people to help us choose a building and create a new community hub for care experienced young people in Camden.



Share your views on the support you received from Camden

Various opportunities to share your own experience and give your opinion on the support you have received in Camden on different topics and how support could be improved. Topics will include:

- Health and wellbeing
- Education employment and training
- Connection and belonging

# Design the future of support with housing

Get £120 worth of Love2Shop vouchers to take part in three workshops between September-November 2020. Help Camden do research and come up with new ideas for future support to find and keep housing for all young people experiencing challenging circumstances.

## WHAT?



**Workshop 1:** You'll support us to think about how to design research that's accessible to other young people who are currently being supported into accommodation by Camden. We'll then go away and deliver the research to understand what's working for them and what they'd like to be different.

**Workshop 2:** We'll bring you back our findings and you'll help us make sense of what these young people said.

**Workshop 3:** We'll use what we've learned to come up with ideas that challenge Camden decision-makers to think differently and ambitiously about future accommodation support.

We'll thank you with a £40 Love2Shop voucher after each session.

## WHEN?



We'd love between 5-7 young people (aged 18-28) with experience of being supported into accommodation by Camden to join us for 3 workshops between September and November.

These will last up to 2 hours each. These will take place either online, or at a local Camden venue, depending on the group's preference. The exact timings will also depend on the majority of the groups' preferences.

Josh and Sophie (pictured) are leading this work

## Sounds good?

Fill in our [expression of interest form](#) by **06.09.24**, or get in touch with Josh, Service Designer at [josh.lowe@camden.gov.uk](mailto:josh.lowe@camden.gov.uk) to find out more.



# Designing a community Hub for care experienced young people

We want to create a new Hub that is entirely dedicated for Camden's care experienced young people. This place will be designed with young people so that it feels homely and comfortable. Join our team to think with us about how it could be like, visit buildings and choose the future space for the hub.

## WHAT?



You will meet the small team working on designing the new Hub.

You will have the opportunity to share what you would like from a Hub designed for your needs and the needs of other care experienced young people.

You will go on building visits with the team to survey Camden buildings and decide with us which one would be appropriate.

## WHEN?



This work will start in September and end in December.

You will meet with the team at regular intervals, sometimes for team meetings, and sometimes for visits.

This will be on average 1-2 hours per week, with some weeks where you will not meet at all and others where you might give more of your time (2-3 hours).

The team will be flexible and work with you to find a time that works for you for visits and meetings - this could sometimes be arranged on weekends or evenings if that works better.

Nana Bonsu, Director of Relational Practice (pictured) is leading this work.

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# Share your views on support for care-experienced young people in Camden

Do you want to share your views on the support you have been receiving as a care-experienced young person, and how it could be better? Come to our workshops to meet other care-experienced young people and give us your opinions!



## WHAT?

You will participate in 2.5hour workshops to talk about your experience and your views on the support you have received from Camden.

There will be workshops on three different topics:

- Health and wellbeing
- Education, employment and training
- Connection and belonging.

You will be able to choose which workshop you want to take part in - you can take part of either one of the workshops, two, or all three of them according to your preference.



## WHEN?

The time and place of the workshops are still to be determined.

We will try to work with your time constraints to do it at a time that works for you.

These workshops will be in person in Camden.

Hannah and Flo (pictured) are leading this work.

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## What we need from you



We want to work with young people who have experience of care and are between the ages of 18 and 28. We want you to draw on your live experiences to help make our work more impactful.



We want some of your time and energy to either share your experiences with, or work directly alongside Camden Strategy Officers to help think through how they renew their approach to supporting young people like yourself.



We **do not** expect you to have any particular previous experience.



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## What you can expect from us



We will thank you for your time with a £20 Love2Shop voucher per hour spent working with us.



We will make an effort to respond to your preferences, including:

- The opportunity you'd most like to take part in
- When and where you'd like to meet (e.g. online/offline)



We will never expect you to share experiences that feel too difficult to re-live. We will be led by you and how much you feel comfortable sharing; we won't put pressure on you to talk about something you don't want to.



We also understand that speaking about these topics might bring up unexpected feelings you weren't able to predict. We will make sure someone who is trained to offer emotional support is available to you during your time working with us.