**London Borough of Islington - Soft Market Testing 2020 – Supported Housing Assessment Provision for Young People**

**Background:**

Islington Council is committed to supporting its residents to live healthy, purposeful, independent, connected, and fulfilling lives.

Islington Council is reviewing some of the borough’s Supported Housing for Young People.

Following this review, the council is looking to commission Supported Housing including assessment and mediation provision which complements the existing Supported Housing for Young People in the borough.

We recognise the importance of high quality housing and support and see developing additional housing provision as a key strategic opportunity. We are currently undertaking a housing soft market test and welcome landlord and provider input, and expressions of interest to support our future provision.

**Soft Market Testing:**

Please see below a questionnaire outlining the questions to which we would value your input as a landlord or provider.

Completed questionnaires should be submitted via the London Tenders Portal by **12 noon on Thursday 10 December 2020**.

Please keep answers as succinct as possible and do not submit supporting documentation, unless it is directly relevant.

Please note, this soft market testing questionnaire is not part of a live tendering opportunity, it is to inform future commissioning intentions.

This is not an invitation to tender, nor does it preclude or favour eligibility to participate in the formal procurement once it starts; it is a process solely to test the current market capacity, to scope the services, engage with a wide range of stakeholders and to inform the procurement process route.

If you have any questions please contact:

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**Questionnaire:**

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| **Provider Name:**  |
| **Contact Name/Details:**  |
| **Background** **Islington Council is committed to securing high quality, enabling and personalised support for residents which promotes independence and connection to the community.** **Services must also represent good value for money in a time when resources are increasingly scarce. We are particularly interested in looking at properties that could offer good quality housing to Young People who have multiple needs.** |
| **Question 1:****Do you have access to suitable properties available in the London borough of Islington that can be utilised for Supported Housing as a landlord for Young People?****Please specify if you would be willing to let other support providers use your properties for the purposes of Supported Housing.** |
| **Answer:** |
| **Question 2:****If you are interested in becoming a support provider by utilising your properties in Islington, would your preference be for 24 hour support or visiting support?** |
| **Answer:** |
| **Question 3:****Are your properties shared flats, single use flats, or a combination of both?** |
| **Answer:** |
| **Question 4:****If you are interested in being a registered social landlord (RSL) for a support provider would your preference be for 24 hour support or visiting support?** |
| **Answer:** |
| **Question 5:****If you are a support provider, do you have experience of or interest in any of the following service areas:*** **Assessment provision for young homeless people, looked after children and care leavers;**
* **Mediation provision for young homeless people and care givers**
* **Rapid re-housing provision for young people.**
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| **Answer:** |
| **Question 6:** **Islington is committed to promoting the local economy and, in line with this we would expect all Providers to offer Social Value across its delivery of services.****Please give us your views on this and any opportunities or risks you believe might be associated with it.** |
| **Answer:** |
| **Question 7:****If you are willing for the council to contact you to discuss your responses to the questionnaire, please can you provider suitable contact details for the most relevant person in your organisation.** |
| **Answer:** |