



## First Hope into Action house opens in Eastbourne, East Sussex.

Hope into Action provides homes for the most vulnerable in society in partnership with local churches. Our model is built on the belief that when people have a safe, secure home surrounded by loving, non-judgemental relationships they will find the strength and motivation to make positive life choices. We welcome people of all faiths and none, all ethnicities and sexualities. Hope Into Action brings together investors and churches to give help and hope to the homeless.

With over 40 houses around the UK already providing a safe home and supportive community for vulnerable people, in June 2017 the first house using the Hope into Action model opened in Eastbourne.

Our first resident was delighted to be given a good quality home, fully furnished mostly through the generosity of kind people who have donated everything from beds to a washing machine, tea spoons to wardrobes. She will share the house with another female in the near future.

Hope into Action Eastbourne is administered by Kingdom Way Trust which has coordinated the Eastbourne Winter Night Shelter since its inception in 2011, operates a fully staffed supported house for 6 men called 'The Bridge' and a block of 8 flats for people in need, and runs Hope Woodwork which aims to help unemployed people into work. Hope into Action Eastbourne adds an exciting new dimension to the work of Kingdom Way Trust in housing the homeless and providing opportunities for people to address barriers to a stable lifestyle and discover skills, attitudes and values that will give substance to their hope for a better future.

While we wish to give our residents security and anonymity at this time, we are happy to provide interviews, further information or statements. Please contact:

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