

Case Study:

Mr B, 61, homeless

Reason for homelessness:

Mental Health issues



Outcome

In the six months Mr B was at the Watling Street Project, the team observed a change to his character. The team were able to explore his behaviour and why he reacts negatively to certain people, mainly those in authority. His behaviour began to improve, so much so, he was able to find a job.

Story

Following a relationship breakdown with his family, Mr B, who has mental health issues, found himself homeless and sleeping rough on the streets.

Over the Christmas period of 2021, Mr B was picked up by Warwickshire Police, who completed a Duty to Refer on his behalf. Having already committed offences in the past, Mr B was subject to a Probation Order. Most of these offences centred around his mental health issues, mainly non-engagement and erratic behaviour.

North Warwickshire Borough Council were able to offer Mr B a room at the Watling Street Project. Mr B accepted.

The change in Mr B was apparent and he became a popular figure in the hostel. Mr B even provided assistance to residents who were older and who had health issues. He regularly went to the shop or ran errands for them.

Mr B is now living in his own tenancy and has been much happier since being involved with the project. He can still ask for support from the project for up to 12 months after he left the hostel should he come across any difficulties.

