

Winter Shelters List 2006-7

Name: **Camden & City Churches Cold Weather Shelter (C4WS)**

Address: Various venues

Phone: **07968 362 152**

Hours: 7.30pm-8.45am. Must arrive by 8pm to secure bed. No re-admission once booked in.

Gender: Mixed

Age: 18+

Target Group: Single homeless people including those with a range of support needs.

Referrals: Agency referrals only. Phone (1pm-7pm) to check vacancies and venue details. Priority given to local agencies between 10am-1pm. If there is an available vacancy, given directions to the shelter for that evening. **Do not turn up at venue without phoning first.**

Bed spaces: 13, including a separate area for women.

House Rules: No alcohol allowed on premises. No smoking inside church buildings. Anti-social behaviour not tolerated.

Open: 1st January – 31st March 07

Name: **Crisis Open Christmas**

5 shelters – including a quiet centre, a women-only centre and a drinkers centre. Day centre in Deptford. Buses pick up guests from: York Way (King's Cross), Apollo Theatre (Victoria), Spitalfields market (Shoreditch) and Temple tube station at 10.45am, 4.45pm and 9.15pm daily.

Address: Various venues

Phone: **0870 011 3335**

Hours: 24 hours

Gender: Mixed

Age: 18+

Target Group: People who are homeless, sleeping rough or vulnerable and those who are alone in London over the Christmas period. Can accept people with dogs (at main centre only).

Referrals: Self or agency referrals. Turn up at the door of the **main centre initially** (venue TBC). May request or be asked to go to one of the other Crisis centres.

Bed spaces: Up to 900 bedspaces in open plan sleeping areas in 5 centres, including 2 main reception centres with approx 300 bedspaces in each, approx 50 in women-only centre, 150 in "wet" centre and 100 in quiet centre.

House Rules: No alcohol except at "wet" shelter. No violence. No weapons. Dogs accepted at main centre only, where they will be housed in outside kennels and looked after by volunteers.

Open: 2pm 23rd December – 10am 30th December 06

Name: **Croydon Churches Floating Shelter**
Address: Croydon Resource Centre
70a Wellesley Road
Croydon CR0 2AR
Phone: **020 8774 9872 (office), or 07914 988 208 (out of hours coordinator).**
Mobile will be switched off if there are no vacancies.
Hours: 7.30pm-8am. Last admission 9pm. No re-admission once booked in.
Gender: Mixed
Age: 18+
Target Group: Vulnerable homeless people who have a local connection to LB Croydon.
Referrals: Self and local agency referrals. Phone office or mobile 10am-3pm to check vacancies (mobile switched off if no vacancies).
Bed spaces: 14
House Rules: No drugs or alcohol allowed on premises. Not admitted to the project drunk.
Venues: 7 church halls
Open: 3rd November 06 – 31st March 07 (closed between 23rd – 31st December)

Name: **Finchley Area Churches Winter Shelter**
Address: Various venues
Phone: **020 8446 8400**
Hours: Open 8pm-8am. Last admission 10pm. No re-admission.
Gender: Mixed
Age: 18+
Target Group: Single homeless people sleeping rough who are attending Homeless Action in Barnet's Day Centre.
Referrals: All referrals **must** be made by Homeless Action in Barnet, 36b Woodhouse Road, N12 (open 12 noon-3pm Mon-Fri).
Bed spaces: 15
House Rules: Alcohol, smoking, dogs and offensive weapons are not allowed inside the church buildings. Violent or threatening behaviour is not tolerated.
Open: 1st December 06 – 31st March 07 (closed between 23rd – 30th December)

Name: **Hackney Winter Nightshelter**
Address: Various venues
Phone: 07962 447 373 (switched on 1 hour before shelter opens)
Hours: 8pm-8am (7pm on Sundays). Last admission 10pm. No re-admission once booked in.
Gender: Mixed
Age: 16+
Target Group: Single homeless people.
Referrals: Self or agency referrals. Phone enquiries 7pm-10pm. Show up at the project between 8pm-10pm Mon-Sat, 7pm-10pm Sun. Vacancies let nightly on a first come, first served basis.
Bed spaces: 20, some venues have a separate area for women.
House Rules: No alcohol, drugs or weapons allowed on premises. Violence not tolerated.

Venues: Mon – Rectory Road URC, Rectory Rd N16; Tues – Our Lady of Good Counsel, Bouverie Rd N16; Weds – St Mary’s Community Centre, Defoe Rd N16; Thurs – St Matthias Church Hall, Wordsworth Road, N16; Fri – St Mary of Eton, Eastway E9; Sat – Hephzibah Christian Centre, Beechwood Rd E8; Sun – St Michael and All Angels, Lavender Grove E8.

Open: 1st January – 31st March 07

Name: Islington Churches Cold Weather Shelter
Address: Various venues
Phone: **07960 491 151**
Hours: 7.30pm-8.30am. Must arrive by 8.30pm. No re-admission once booked in.
Gender: Mixed
Age: 18+
Target Group: Single homeless people including those with low to medium support needs.
Referrals: Self or agency referrals. Phone (1pm-9pm) to check vacancies and venue details. If there is an available vacancy, given directions to the shelter for that evening. All places must be booked in advance. ***Do not turn up at venue without phoning first.***
Bed spaces: 15, including a separate area for women.
House Rules: No alcohol, drugs, smoking, weapons or dogs allowed on premises. Violence not tolerated.
Open: **1st January – 31st March 07**

Name: ROBES Project (Southwark and Lambeth)
Address: Various venues
Phone: **020 7403 1931**
Hours: Not yet known.
Gender: Mixed
Age: 18+
Target Group: Single homeless people including those with a range of support needs who are attending the Manna Centre.
Referrals: All referrals must be made via the Manna Centre, 6 Melior Street, SE1 (open 8.30am-1.30pm daily)
Bed spaces: 10 spaces. Intend to have a separate women’s area in some venues.
House Rules: No alcohol or drugs allowed in, or outside the venues. Disruptive and abusive behaviour not tolerated.
Open: **3rd February – 31st March 07**

Name: West London Churches Winter Nightshelter
Address: Various venues
Phone: **020 7351 4948 (9am-5pm Mon-Fri)**
Hours: 8pm-7am. Last admission 8pm. No re-admission.
Gender: Mixed
Age: 16+
Target Group: Single homeless people sleeping rough in Hammersmith & Fulham and Kensington & Chelsea, including those with a range of support needs.

Referrals: Mainly accept self referrals. Referrals accepted from local named agencies ***only in emergencies. Must phone first to check venue, vacancies and to discuss a potential referral.*** Priority given to people who stayed the previous night. If people don't turn up by 8pm then a vacancy arises. A waiting list is operated. Must arrive at the venue before 8pm to be placed on waiting list.

Bed spaces: 35 spaces. Separate women's area.

House Rules: No alcohol allowed in or outside the venues. Disruptive and abusive behaviour not tolerated.

Open: 13th November 06 – 1st April 07

Please note that Harrow Winter Shelter and Quaker Homeless Action – Open Christmas are not opening this year.

Details of other nightshelters and emergency accommodation can be found on www.homelesslondon.org