

Appendix 5

Supporting People Team Growth Bid Template

All growth bids must be fully supported by a member of the Supporting People Commissioning Body detailing how the bid will meet their own strategic objectives and how this will support the SP Programme objectives. This should be attached as an appendix to this document.

Providers submitting a growth bid should provide information by means of the template below which sets out the business case. It should then be returned to the Supporting People Team.

1	Organisation Details	
1.1	Organisation name:	Thanet District Council
1.2	Main address for correspondence:	PO Box 9, Cecil Street, Margate Kent CT9 1XZ
1.3	Registered Office: (If different from above)	
1.4	Person applying on behalf of the Company or Consortium	Amber Christou
1.5	Position in the Company:	Strategic Housing Manager
1.6	Telephone Number:	01843 577220
1.7	Fax Number:	01843 290906
1.8	Email Address:	Amber.christou@thanet.gov.uk
1.9	Website address:	www.thanet.gov.uk
1.10	VAT Registration Number	
1.11	Is your organisation a public limited company / limited company / a partnership / a sole trader / registered as an Industrial & Provident Society / has Charitable status / other: Local Authority If a Charity please indicate if your organisation is: a)Unincorporated b)A Trust c)A Company	
1.14	Please state the registration number of your organisation Registered Charity no: Registered Company no:	
1.17	Companies House Registration Number of parent company (if	

1	Organisation Details	
	applicable)	

Purpose The purpose of the business case is to provide a full statement of reasons for the commissioning of a service. It should include all the topics below and must have the full backing of at least one member of the Commissioning Body.

Contents This Business Case contains the following topics:

Topic	See Page
Summary of the Service	
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Summary of the Service *To provide through appropriate housing related support in an accommodation based service to single homeless to enable them to sustain a social housing tenancy. The scheme will provide individual support to 9 – 12 young people within an accommodation-based service in Ramsgate. The scheme will be managed as short term supported housing The nature of the support would include SP eligible tasks such as;
An understanding of rights and responsibilities of a tenant
Assisting with claiming benefits
Supporting and developing skills to maintain tenancies
Promoting good relationships with neighbours
Providing social support to live in the community
Providing practical support by helping young people to access health services education employment and local transport*

Evidence of Need *Thanet is under served with services for single homeless people despite it having a high population of former care leavers and homeless young people. Recent visits from members of Kent County Council have highlighted the unsuitable nature of current provision resulting in Thanet District Council focussing on the provision of improved accommodation based services*

Strategic Context	<i>This scheme encompasses targets/objectives in the Councils Sustainable Community Action plan, the Councils Housing Strategy and draft sub regional Homelessness Strategy and is required to achieve Government targets to reduce use of B&B and temporary accommodation by 2010. The 2006/10 housing strategy identifies significant accommodation needs for former looked after children, youth offenders and other homeless 16/17 year olds, and the draft EK homeless strategy includes Tackling Youth Homelessness as a strategic priority</i>
Service Implementation	<i>Thanet District Council have identified a suitable site within the district. We intend to work in partnership with a quality provider of services and intend to have the Housing Corporation identified within the next few months. The identification of funding for housing related support provision will assist in the rapid development of this service</i>
Anticipated Outcomes	<i>To enable single homeless people in the district to be housed with housing related support to minimise non-payment of rent and other housing issues, which may result in eviction. The scheme will minimise the need for B&B and other unsuitable temporary accommodation and provides better quality of life for young people .It provides a more balanced community approach and less reason to fail tenancies.</i>
Timescales	<i>At present the timescales have not been finalised</i>
Financial Information	<i>Full cost of the scheme has yet to be ascertained but it is considered that a allocation of 24 hours per service user per week to allow for direct access resulting in an annual budget of £155,670 being required</i>