



WELCOME

T.H.O.M.A.S. Floating Support



So - What is Floating Support?

The Floating Support team is situated on France Street in the heart of town and easily accessible to our service user's. We have a team of five experienced friendly, approachable staff, who are here to assist you in your needs.

Our aim is to help you to live independently in the community and to maintain, or work towards a drug-free lifestyle.

We offer you practical help and advice on a whole range of services. You will be assigned your own personal Key Worker who will arrange to see you at regular times throughout the week, though you can approach any member of staff with your queries or concerns at any time. Together we will work out a support plan, which will be reviewed every two months, with aims and objectives to work towards during your time with us. Initially we can help filling in benefit forms, offer budgeting advice, and help with domestic skills, and healthy eating.

We can put you in touch with other agencies that we work with which offer help with skills such as confidence building and also practical courses. We have good links with other service providers that can help you to search for the type of employment or training that you want and help you to acquire the necessary skills.

It is our hope that we can help you to achieve your goals by helping you to gain the skills that you will need. Perhaps most importantly, we are here to talk to when you need us. Often it helps just to know that you are not alone and that someone cares and is looking out for you.

You are free to call into the office at any time for a brew and a chat, don't feel that you have to wait until your appointment time to see us. If you need to talk about something or have any problems, queries or concerns please feel free to call into the office, we are always happy to see you.

We also provide free and confidential counselling if you wish, and also free complementary therapies and group work.

In return we ask that you:

- Ⓞ Engage with us on a regular basis and keep all your appointments with us, or let us know if you need to cancel.
- Ⓞ Commit to the Support Plan that we draw up.
- Ⓞ Behave in a respectful manner to all members of staff at all times.

Shaw Trust

Shaw Trust is a national charity that provides training and work opportunities for people who are disadvantaged in the labour market due to disability, ill health or other social circumstances. They are the largest voluntary sector provider of employment services for disabled and disadvantaged people in the UK.

Many of their services are tailored to the specific requirements of people with issues such as mental health, substance misuse problems or learning disability.

Shaw Trust supports many of our service users to achieve their personal development and employment aims.

OFFICE OPENING TIMES	
MONDAY	09:30 - 5:30
TUESDAY	09:30 - 5:30
WEDNESDAY	09:30 - 5:30
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