

## Case Study

### Homeless Brothers



Working to prevent and end homelessness  
in Surrey Heath & Surrounding Areas

Two brothers aged 25 and 23 came to The Hope Hub at the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic. They had been rough sleeping in tents in the woods and were concerned about the risks to themselves catching coronavirus. It was not possible for them to return to the family home due to a breakdown in relationships and their elderly grandmother had also moved back to the family home too.

One of the brothers had recently lost his job and had no income. The Casework team acted swiftly to secure accommodation for the brothers through an emergency grant with one of our **Endeavour Project**\* landlords. The team also assisted them to apply for both Universal Credit and the housing element of UC. The brother's settled in well to their new accommodation and the landlord agreed after the first month to make the emergency accommodation permanent by offering them an assured short hold tenancy.

Throughout the pandemic The Hope Hub have supported the brothers with food parcels and activities and will continue to support them to secure employment and training.

It was so satisfying to see the brothers respond so positively to our help. This is another example of how The Hope Hub can engage with people to help them through difficult and stressful times.

*The Brothers said, "Thank you for helping us so much and for getting us to do the things we needed to do! We are really grateful for your support and doing well now."*

\*The Hope Hub's **Endeavour Project** has been set up to build relationships with landlords and homeowners to be a host home for a short period, offer a safe and encouraging environment, work with us as we support each person and become mentors. Please contact The Hope Hub if you would like to know more about this project.

Our Endeavour Landlord is also pleased with the progress the boys have made and likes to see people progress.