



Elm Tree – Statement of Purpose

Organisation Overview:

Elm Tree provides safe, supported step-down accommodation for young adults aged 18–25, including young asylum seekers, in South West and West London. Our service is designed to support residents as they transition from supported settings to independent living, promoting life skills, wellbeing, and long-term stability.

Our Philosophy:

At Elm Tree, we believe that every young person deserves not only the very best care and support but also the highest quality of life, regardless of their background, disability, or difficulty. We aim high and strive to help each young person reach their potential socially, emotionally, and behaviourally.

Our semi-independent homes are decorated to a high standard and tastefully furnished, creating a real sense of comfort, security, and positivity. We focus on nurturing each individual, promoting self-esteem, and celebrating achievements.

Purpose of the Service:

Elm Tree provides safe, high-quality step-down accommodation for young adults aged 18–25, including young asylum seekers, across South West and West London. Our service supports young people as they transition from supported living to independent accommodation, promoting life skills, wellbeing, and long-term stability.

Accommodation and Facilities:

Elm Tree operates properties across South West and West London, designed to provide comfort, security, and a positive environment for young adults.

- **Shared facilities:** kitchens, bathrooms, lounge, and laundry area
- **Fully furnished bedrooms:** each with a bed, wardrobe, desk, and storage
- **Utilities included:** Wi-Fi, heating, water, electricity, and internet
- **Cleaning:** communal areas maintained via a cleaning rota
- **Security:** secure, well-maintained properties with 24/7 building security (CCTV, fire alarms, secure entry)

- **Regulatory compliance:**
safety, and HMO



all properties meet housing, fire regulations

Support Offered:

Elm Tree provides flexible support tailored to individual needs:

1. Accommodation-only placements

- Residents manage daily living independently
- No personal care or support staff included

2. Staffed support placements

- 24-hour trained staff support, including on-site and on-call coverage
- Key work sessions, budgeting and cooking guidance, tenancy and life skills support
- Referrals to health, education, and employment services

Same-Day Placements:

We are able to accommodate same-day placements, ensuring urgent housing needs are met promptly.

Our Young People:

The young adults we support have diverse and complex needs, which may include:

- Sexual exploitation
- Challenging behaviours
- Substance misuse
- Offending behaviours
- Self-harm
- Gang involvement



- Criminal behaviour
- Unaccompanied minors
- Low-level sexualised behaviours
- Eating disorders
- Emotional or behavioural difficulties
- Autism spectrum disorder
- Attention deficit disorder
- Attachment disorders
- County lines involvement

Where appropriate, we work with families to improve relationships and maintain positive links. We also liaise with external agencies, including drug and alcohol services, advocacy services, and CAMHS, to provide holistic support.

Move-On Pathway:

Residents are supported to progress to independent housing or private tenancy within 6–18 months, ensuring a safe and sustainable transition.

Conclusion:

Elm Tree is committed to delivering a safe, nurturing, and structured environment for young adults transitioning to independent living. Through high-quality accommodation, flexible staffing, same-day placements, and tailored support packages, we empower residents to grow, develop, and achieve long-term stability.

Accommodation and Facilities:

Elm Tree offers a modern, secure property with six self-contained units, each with a lockable bedroom. Shared facilities include:

- Fully equipped kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Lounge area
- Laundry area



Each bedroom is fully furnished storage. Wi-Fi and utilities internet) are included. Communal cleaning rota, and all properties safety, and HMO regulations. Security measures include 24/7 building monitoring, CCTV, fire alarms, and secure entry systems.

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Support Offered:

While the accommodation provides independent living, Elm Tree also offers structured support to residents through:

- Key work sessions focusing on personal development and goal-setting
- Budgeting and cooking guidance
- Tenancy and life skills support
- Referrals to health, education, and employment services

Staffing:

- Trained support workers on-site from 8am to 8pm
- On-call support available overnight

Move-On Pathway:

Residents are supported to progress to independent housing or private tenancy within 6–18 months, with tailored guidance to ensure a successful transition.

Standard Inclusions:

- Secure, well-maintained property in a safe location
- Compliance with all housing, fire safety, and HMO regulations
- Repairs and maintenance included
- Tenancy or licence agreement issued to each resident

Exclusions (No Support):

- This provision is accommodation only (Lot 1)



- No personal care or 24/7 price
- Residents are responsible independently

support staff are included in the

for managing their daily living

Conclusion:

Elm Tree is committed to providing a safe, supportive, and structured environment for young adults transitioning to independent living. Through a combination of high-quality accommodation and tailored support, we empower residents to achieve personal growth, independence, and long-term stability.