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Penrose

Penrose Drive Independent Approved Premises

24-hr Accommodation and Support Service





Welcome to Penrose Drive IAP



We are delighted to introduce you to Penrose Drive, our flagship service offering a modern and innovative approach to Independent Approved Premises. Our mission extends beyond public protection; we are deeply committed to the rehabilitation and support of residents, helping them lead fulfilled and meaningful lives.

We welcome over 130 people through our doors each year, providing a safe and structured environment that fosters growth and positive change. Our dedicated team works tirelessly around the clock to ensure that everyone in our care has access to the resources and support they need to reintegrate into society successfully.

Since we opened in August 2022, we have achieved several significant milestones:

- We have hired former residents into positions within our organisation.
- We have established partnerships with work providers, including Lendlease, and developed our internal Therapeutic Earnings and Apprenticeship programs.
- We have continuously expanded our Rehabilitative Activities provision, catering to the diverse needs of our residents.
- We have undertaken our first Enabling Environments assessment and secured a Certificate of Achievement, and we are working towards our full Award.

Our team has grown, and so have our ambitions. In the coming years, we want to strengthen our Resettlement provision and post-move-on support, increase the awareness of Approved Premises within the Probation Service and explore new ways to encourage resistance. Thank you for taking the time to learn more about our service. We are proud of our work and the positive impact it has on the lives of those we support.

If you have any ideas or feedback, we would be delighted to hear from you, so please use the contact details at the end of this brochure to get in touch/

Eva Katsani, Head of Criminal Justice Services
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→ Who We Are

Social Interest Group is a leading UK charity providing bespoke person-centred health and social care services. We specialise in supporting people with the most complex multiple disadvantages and challenges in life who often have chaotic backgrounds.

→ What Drives Us

Our success is due to our collaborative approach to service delivery. We work with carers, professionals, commissioners, and local communities.

→ Mission

Our mission is to empower people by building powerful partnerships and creative solutions that bridge gaps in provision and aid recovery, reablement and resettlement.

→ Vision

A transparent caring world in which people have equity of access to a good home, health care, social support, and employment.

→ Values



Ambition

Eager to succeed and accomplish as much as possible for our people.



Empowerment

Giving staff and people we support the tools, training and information needed to achieve their potential.



Transparency

Upfront and visible about our actions and open to scrutiny.



Inclusivity

Listening, understanding and including all stakeholders to ensure we make a difference and get things right.

Penrose Drive IAP

Penrose Drive offers 24/7 accommodation and support for men who have offended and are currently under license, aiding their transition into the community. Our service is designed to bridge the critical gap between prison and community life, fostering positive relationships that empower those in our care to build independent, crime-free lives.

At Penrose Drive, we excel in providing intensive support, supervision, and complex care. As a community-based public protection and rehabilitation service, we specialise in assisting individuals who may pose public safety risks. We collaborate closely with the Police, The Probation Service, and Community Mental Health Teams to ensure comprehensive support. Our goal is to create a welcoming home where residents actively engage in planning their future from the very first day.

Theory of Change

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→ Coaching and Mentoring

Our Support Coaches provide weekly one-on-one sessions to help residents stay accountable and advance through their Move On plan.

→ Housing Support

Our Housing Lead supports residents with resettlement and the skills they need to sustain their tenancy.

→ Rehabilitative Activities

Our structured programs address the 7 Pathways of Reducing Reoffending for men while meeting Social Value Criteria. Residents participate in at least six hours of weekly activities focused on improving health and wellbeing, enhancing community integration, and reducing economic inequality.

→ Psychological Provision & Research

Our Psychologically Informed Approach ensures that we reflect on what we are doing and how we can be more effective. We use reflective practice and clinical supervision to learn and grow, and we base our work on our own research, led by our Forensic Psychologist and supported by our Data & Performance Officer.



Penrose Drive IAP Resident Stories

Tyrone's Journey

Tyrone, a care leaver, was a resident at Penrose Drive from December 2023 to February 2024. While at Penrose Drive, Tyrone was guided to enrol in a Network Rail course, a significant step toward building his future. Our team also provided ongoing motivation and practical assistance, helping him to focus on his personal and professional goals.

With the support of Penrose Drive, Tyrone has made remarkable strides in his life. He now lives independently and runs a successful business designing and selling customised T-shirts. In addition to this entrepreneurial venture, he works with Uber Eats, demonstrating his commitment and resourcefulness.

The encouragement and support Tyrone received from Penrose Drive's staff were instrumental in helping him achieve these significant milestones. His journey from an IAP to a self-sufficient individual with a thriving business and a stable home is a testament to his hard work and the impactful support provided by our team.

Jake's Journey

Jake was released from prison after serving a 5-year sentence for drug related offences; Jake felt anxiety about reintegrating back into society. He had limited job skills and employment prospects with a history of substance use that has held him back in the past. He was supported to enrol in the railway course and connected with local drug and alcohol support services. He remained drug-free throughout his stay, attending CGL and NA meetings. He completed his course while staying at Penrose Drive and moved into full time employment for the first time in over eight years. He secured stable accommodation and even visited us a few months later to share his progress with the Enabling Environments assessors visiting the service.

John's Journey

John, who had learning difficulties, was incarcerated for sexual offences and had been recalled to prison three times before completing his license. Upon his arrival at Penrose Drive, the staff provided comprehensive support, including accompanying him to appointments, teaching essential life skills, and offering him a gardening role at the service. John disclosed to staff that he had experienced abuse in the past, and they assisted him in reporting it to the police. Additionally, they helped John secure supported accommodation, something he had never previously had, and he continues to thrive in the community.



If you're eager to learn more about our services and the positive impact we're making, we invite you to connect with us by phone or email. Explore how we're transforming lives and communities by requesting our detailed Impact Report. Discover the difference we're making and see how you can be a part of this journey.

Eligibility

Adult, high-risk men currently managed by The Probation Service under an active license

Referral Pathway

Referrals can only be made by The Probation Service through the Approved Premises Referrals portal

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