

# Shelter

Until there's a home for everyone

hello

# What is Housing First?

## Philosophy

- Provide a stable home & intensive personalised support
- Housing is seen as a human right
- No conditions for 'housing readiness'
- It provides housing 'first' rather than last or as a reward



1  
People have a right to a home



2  
Flexible support is provided for as long as it is needed



3  
Housing and support are separated



4  
Individuals have choice and control



5  
An active engagement approach is used



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The service is based on people's strengths, goals and aspirations



7  
A harm reduction approach is used

# Multiple and Complex needs?

Multiple and complex needs are persistent and interrelated with health/social care needs

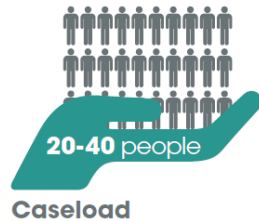
These impact on how individuals function in society



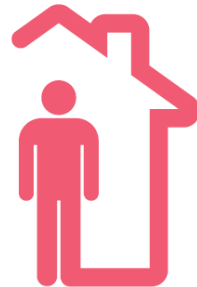
- Entrenched street homelessness
- Mental, psychological or emotional health needs
- Drug and/or alcohol dependency
- Contact with criminal justice system
- Physical health needs
- Experience of domestic violence and abuse

# Traditional Support vs Housing First

## Traditional support

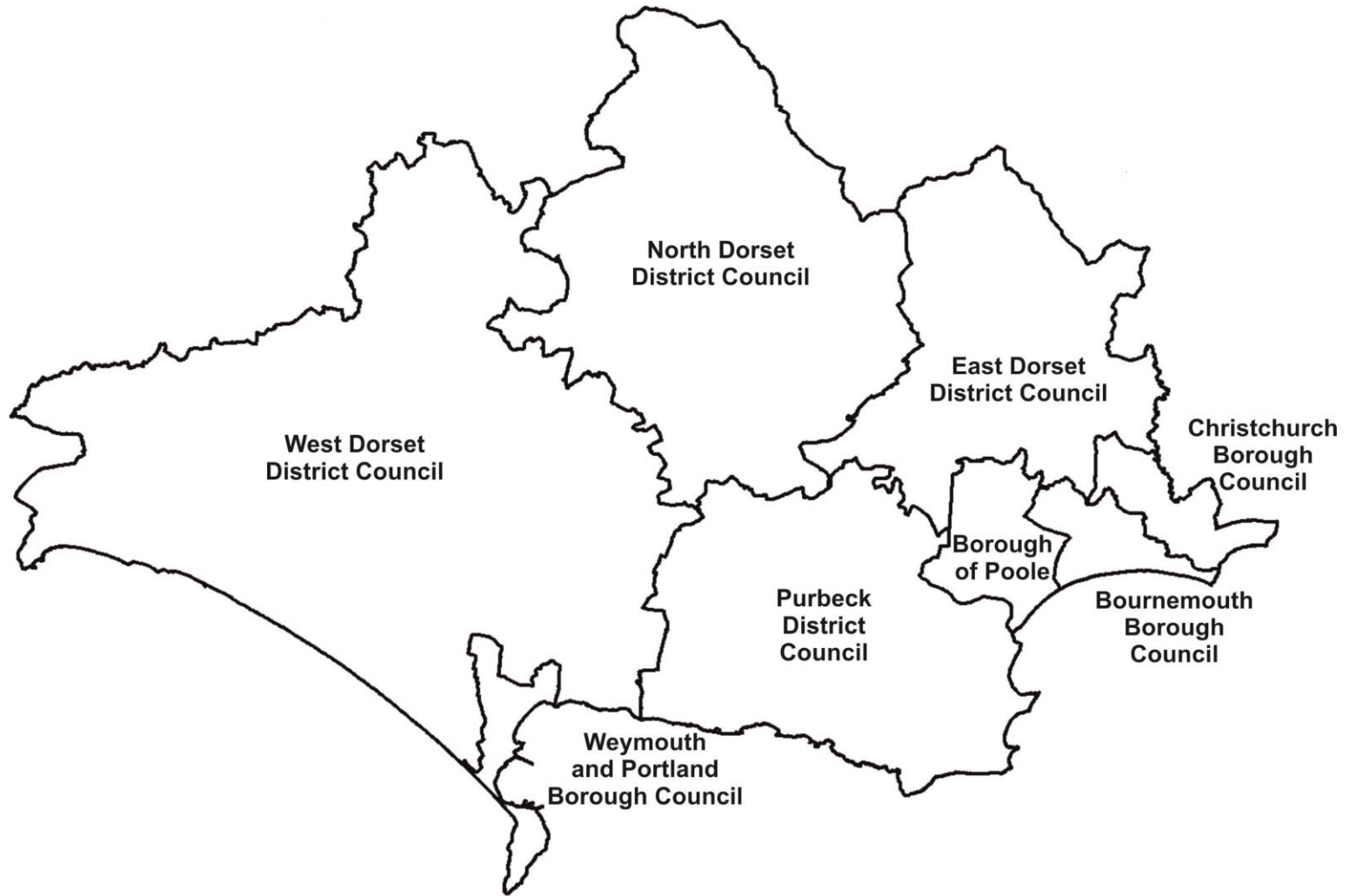


## Housing First



- It is fundamentally a choice-led approach
- Housing is viewed as a stable platform from which other issues can be addressed
- The Housing First approach allows for people to be rapidly rehoused in instances of housing loss
- Smaller caseloads enable more intensive, flexible and personalised support
- Evidence suggests, over time, those housed by Housing First require less support from services and in some cases, may no longer require support

# Housing First Dorset



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JiaXyIpUPtk>