



## HOMES IN MANCHESTER

### RAILWAY COTTAGE

Railway Cottage is a five-bedroom detached house with a good sized garden located in a residential area near to the centre of Salford. The house provides residential accommodation for up to three young people, each with a single room of their own.

The dedicated and experienced staff team offers intensive support to young people aged 10-18 who are behaviourally challenging and emotionally vulnerable.

Each young person has their own key worker who meets with them on a regular basis and works closely with the in-house clinician.

A psychological assessment is completed on admission by the clinician who also provides direct therapeutic support to the young people, and works with the staff team to develop, monitor and review behaviour management strategies.

We deliver individual education programmes in our Ofsted-registered school and our dedicated teachers promote educational inclusion and personal achievement, and ensure all statutory requirements are met.

The education programme is delivered by qualified teachers working in partnership with residential care workers, and aims to ensure educational inclusion is a priority and statutory requirements are met.

Young people are encouraged to be pro-active in the running of the home and to be actively involved in making choices and taking part in decision-making processes.

### MANAGER: LISA HURST

I have worked at Horizon Care since 2001 when I joined as a residential care worker. I went on to gain my NVQ Level 3 CCYP and A1 Assessors Award. I became a senior residential care worker before becoming an acting and then full time Manager in June 2004. I have since gained my NVQ Level 4 in Care and the Registered Manager's Award, and have completed all foundation and many additional courses along the way.

Before starting my childcare career, I worked in a bakery and confectioners and hold various qualifications in baking and cake decoration. I still spend a lot of my spare time cooking and baking. I also have a very keen interest in motorsport, both participating and watching, and I run a car club.

My motivation for coming into childcare is that I believe everybody deserves a chance in life, no matter what, and young people are the future. No two days are ever the same here and that's what keeps it interesting.



### ASSISTANT MANAGER: DIANE AITKEN

I struggled at school but went on to achieve GNVQ Health & Social Care (four years at college) and HND Social Care & Welfare (two years at university).

I joined Horizon Care in 2004. I love my job, I love coming in to work, especially on a Monday when the young people hurry to tell me something that has happened over the weekend. It's great to earn their trust.

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