Stevenage Rough Sleeping & Housing Pathway Action Plan (2026/27/28/29)

Overall Objective:
Reduce rough sleeping, prevent long-term street entrenchment, improve health outcomes, and support single homeless people into sustainable accommodation using the £328,345.00 allocation over a 3-year period.

Broken down by year

Stevenage	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29
Allocation	£194,531.00	£77,773.00	£56,041.00

Priority	Key Actions	Lead Partners	Success Measures
1. Early Intervention & Outreach	Deploy dedicated outreach workers to identify and engage rough sleepers within 24-72 hours of presentation.	SBC Rough Sleeper Team, Housing Options, No More Service, Outreach Providers, VCS Partners.	Reduction in new rough sleeping cases and faster engagement rates.
2. Immediate Accommodation	Maintain emergency bed provision and rapid access routes into temporary accommodation. An additional 8 beds at Julians Road plus 4 “High risk” allocated TA properties across the town with sprinklers.	SBC Rough Sleeper Team, Housing Options, Temporary Accommodation, No More Service.	No rough sleeper left without an accommodation offer where appropriate.
3. Health & Wellbeing Support	Integrate mental health, substance misuse and primary healthcare support into outreach services.	NHS, Mental Health Services, Support Agencies, discussions at Multiple Needs Working group.	Increased engagement with health services and reduced crisis interventions.

4. Move-On & Tenancy Sustainment	Develop clear pathways from emergency accommodation into settled housing with tenancy support.	SBC Housing First, Allocations, Adult Offender Protocol, Next Step Lets, Registered Housing Providers, Private Landlords, Support Services.	Increased move-on rates and sustained tenancies. Implement the single homeless pathway
5. Prevention & Targeted Support	Provide focused support for vulnerable groups including prison leavers and those at risk of homelessness. Including referrals to the Multiple Needs Working Group	SBC teams including TA, Residential services etc., Probation, Prison resettlement, Community Partners.	Fewer homelessness presentations and repeat rough sleeping instances.
6. Multi-Agency Coordination	Strengthen Single Homeless Pathway, regular partnership meetings and professionals' meetings	SBC, NHS, Police, Probation, VCS.	Improved case resolution and coordinated service delivery.
7. Severe Weather Response (SWEP)	Maintain and review emergency arrangements for severe weather events including extreme cold and heat.	SBC, Community Venues, Voluntary Sector.	Timely activation and increased take-up of emergency provision.
8. Performance & Intelligence	Establish a multi-agency data framework using StreetLink referrals and local intelligence to monitor outcomes.	SBC, Partners, StreetLink.	Quarterly reporting demonstrates impact and informs future service provisions.

Funding Priorities

Total funding available: £328,345.00

Year 1 £194,531.00	Year 2 £77,773.00	Year 3 £56,041.00
• Additional 8 bed spaces Julians Road • 4 single bed spaces for "high" risk homeless people	• Maintain the additional 8 beds at Julians Road • Review the "need" of the 4 bed spaces for "high" risk homeless people	• Maintain the additional 8 beds at Julians Road • Review the "need" of the 4 bed spaces for "high" risk homeless people

• 1 single bed space for women rough sleeping • Introduction of the Single Homeless Pathway • Access to support for Move on accommodation including support to help sustain the tenancy • Access to support for appointments including an “address” to receive post • Earlier prevention and support for those “sofa” surfing • Expand the opening of the Homeless Hub • Continue with the work around AFEO	• Review the work and outcomes from the Single Homeless Pathway • Access to support for Move on accommodation including support to help sustain the tenancy • Access to support for appointments including an “address” to receive post • Earlier prevention and support for those “sofa” surfing • Expand the opening of the Homeless Hub • Continue with the work around AFEO	• Review the work and outcomes from the Single Homeless Pathway • Access to support for Move on accommodation including support to help sustain the tenancy • Access to support for appointments including an “address” to receive post • Earlier prevention and support for those “sofa” surfing • Expand the opening of the Homeless Hub • Continue with the work around AFEO