

# Social and Sustainable Housing (SASH II)

SASH offers outstanding charitable organisations the finance required to purchase residential property to house the disadvantaged people they support.

## NEW INVESTMENTS

- 1 Harbour Support Services
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## Social and Sustainable Housing

### Reach

UK-wide

### Launch date

October 2022

### Funding available

£2m - £10m

### Term

10 year loans

### INVESTORS<sup>1</sup>

Big Society Capital  
Scottish National Investment Bank  
Church of England  
Greater Manchester Combined Authority

1. Individual investors listed on back cover



**SASH DIRECTLY  
ADDRESSES 4 SDGS**

Many small and medium sized charities who provide accommodation-based support services, struggle to access safe, stable and appropriate housing. This restricts their potential to support disadvantaged individuals and families.

SASH II addresses this issue by offering flexible finance to ambitious organisations with experience of managing housing, a history of good financial management and confident leadership.



In the UK, more than 300,000<sup>1</sup> people are reported to be homeless.<sup>1</sup>

**SASH II enables charities to purchase residential property and offer safe, stable and appropriate housing to disadvantaged people.**



People living in 'non decent accommodation' suffer disproportionate levels of physical and mental ill health.

**SASH II requires all housing to meet Decent Homes Standard.**



There are 3.5m non-decent homes in the UK.<sup>2</sup>

**SASH II is supporting the expansion of charity sector landlords, who are committed to providing safe, decent and appropriate housing for the disadvantaged people they support.**




The UK suffers from an acute shortage of decent and affordable housing.

**SASH II sets a new benchmark for how decent and affordable housing can be made available to the charitable sector and disadvantaged people, who would otherwise be excluded.**



**This means a sea change in what we can offer. We've been wanting to move away from an emergency, sticking plaster approach to a longer-term strategy - not just saving lives but creating long-lasting change.**

**Yasmin Rehman**  
**CEO, Juno Women's Aid**



1. [https://england.shelter.org.uk/media/press\\_release/at\\_least\\_309000\\_people\\_homeless\\_in\\_england\\_today](https://england.shelter.org.uk/media/press_release/at_least_309000_people_homeless_in_england_today)  
2. <https://www.health.org.uk/evidence-hub/housing/housing-quality/number-of-households-in-non-decent-homes-by-tenure>  
\*Signed commitments



## Harbour Support Services

**Location:** North East England

HSS is a specialist domestic abuse charity operating since 1974. The charity provides assistance to families and individuals affected by domestic abuse. HSS works across the North East of England with services in County Durham, Hartlepool, Stockton, Redcar and Cleveland, Darlington, Northumberland and North Tyneside. HSS provides advice, support and information to victims of domestic abuse. HSS also enables women experiencing domestic abuse to improve their lives by providing safe, quality accommodation and support for them and their children.

### About our investment

**Date of investment:**

December 2023  
£2.8m Property Loan  
(10 Year Term)

The Loan enables HSS to Purchase 31 properties across six Local Authorities (LA) for women and their children impacted by domestic abuse and leaving refuge accommodation.



**What**

☐ Provides positive outcomes for individuals and families affected by domestic abuse.

**Who**

○ Women and their children impacted by domestic abuse and leaving refuge accommodation.

**How Much**

≡ 31 Properties providing safe and secure accommodation.

**Contribution**

⊕ The SASH properties will address the shortage of suitable accommodation in the areas HSS operates and enable the organisation to be less reliant on private rented sector.

**Risk**

△ HSS have strong relationships with the six LA's where they have contracts and a track record of renewing contracts.



## Juno Women's Aid

**Location:** Nottinghamshire

Juno Women's Aid is one of the largest domestic violence charities in the UK. Juno was incorporated in 2001. They work with women, children, and teens who have been affected by domestic abuse in Ashfield, Broxtowe, Gedling, Nottingham City, and Rushcliffe. Juno provide a 24-hour freephone helpline, drop-in service, outreach support, independent domestic abuse advocate service, RISE support schemes, refuge provision, pets fostering scheme and domestic abuse training for individuals and agencies

### About our investment

**Date of investment:**

December 2023  
£3m property loan  
(10-year term). SASH II funding will enable Juno to acquire at least 18 properties in Nottinghamshire, to provide safe and suitable supported accommodation for women and their children.



**What**

☐ Helping women and children impacted by domestic abuse (emotional or physical).

**Who**

○ Dispersed refuge accommodation for women and their children. This service will benefit families with older male children who are unable to access other refuge accommodation.

**How Much**

≡ 18 safe and secure homes in two key areas of East Midlands.

**Contribution**

⊕ Addressing the shortage of suitable accommodation in Nottinghamshire and expanding owned property portfolio to reduce reliance on PRS.

**Risk**

△ Very strong track record and relationships with local commissioners.

**If you are interested in knowing more about SASH II contact [info@socialandsustainable.com](mailto:info@socialandsustainable.com)**

**Domestic violence is unfortunately a growing issue in the region which is likely to get even worse due to financial pressures from the cost of living crisis. At the same time there is a shortage of property available to house people fleeing abuse. We're delighted SASC agreed to the loan which will enable us to become more sustainable and help more women and their children re-build their lives after escaping from domestic abuse.**

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**Lesley Gibson  
Chief Executive,  
Harbour Support Services**