

Carl Sargeant launches the National Housing Pathway for Ex-Services Personnel

The launch of the National Housing Pathway for ex-services personnel was held at First Choice Housing Association's Ty Dewr Veterans accommodation on Thursday 10th November. The Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children, and lead of the Welsh Government Armed Forces Experts group, Carl Sargeant, launched the event ' at Ty Dewr, and was planned specifically to coordinate with Remembrance day on Friday 11th.

Ty Dewr offers 12 bedrooms in a tranquil supported living setting in Wrexham, to help Veterans that struggle with the transition back to civilian life. It was developed by First Choice Housing Association in partnership with Wrexham CBC and Alabare using funding from the MOD Veterans Accommodation Fund.



The pathway was prompted by RBL, one of their eight 'asks' of Welsh Government in the RBL 2016 Wales Manifesto. It has been driven by Welsh Government staff and Major John Symmons, who heads up transition at 160(W) Brigade in Brecon, via consultation with key stakeholders, with formal consultation launched at the Annual Armed Forces Covenant conference held in Cardiff in September.

Mark a resident at Ty Dewr says " Living at Ty Dewr has turned my life around. Through collaborative support from a wide range of agencies it has given me a new start in life and having come from living in a tent the accommodation is fantastic, offering a real homely feel. I am looking forward to engaging on the forthcoming self-build project in Wrexham".