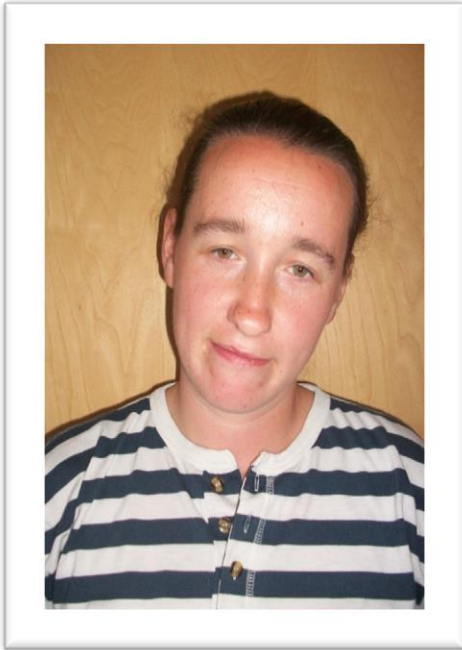




## Tenant Stories

Tenant: Lindsey



Before moving to Carterknowle Yard and Hutton Housing, I was in shared accommodation. My Social Worker gave me a leaflet about the new flats and I fell in love with them, even more when I visited. I moved there in October 2010 with the main focus on becoming independent.

I already had good skills in general household cleaning etc, but seriously needed support with budgeting week to week. With the support of the staff, I feel I have achieved this now and I am confident in daily budgeting. I now know that if I can't afford it, I have to wait until I can.

Like with most people, occasionally, things don't go as planned or I do something I shouldn't. However, the staff have always advised me to put me back on the right track and they have never been judgemental.

They have also assisted me in getting a volunteer placement at the RSPCA because I love working with animals. I don't really go much now, but that is my choice and again, staff have not judged me for it.

I have also been given responsibility of a part of the grounds to look after and often weed and water the plants. Again, this has helped built my confidence because someone has shown trust in me.

Without Hutton Housing support, I may not have been able to access the support services I need to give me a better chance in succeeding to reach my goals.