

17th September 2018 What's going on this week?



More than 300,000 people in Britain (one in every 200 people), are officially recorded as homeless, according to figures recently released by the charity Shelter. This is an increase of 13,000 over the past year. Last month, the government announced its strategy in response to the problem, the Homelessness Reduction Act, which comes into force next year. This requires local authorities to take steps to prevent households at risk of homelessness tipping into crisis.

Things to talk about at home...

- What do you think when you see someone homeless on the street?
- Do you think you should help homeless people directly or do you think it is better to help by giving to charities or volunteering?
- People can become homeless for lots of different reasons, often it is because they can no longer afford to pay their rent or bills. Do you think the government should do more to make it easier for them to pay, what do you think they could do to change things?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments here...





