

Prince of Wales bid to end homelessness.

The Church of England's lead bishop for housing Dr Guli Francis-Deqhani, has welcomed the launch of the five-year *Homewards* project by the Prince of Wales to end long term homelessness.

"I am delighted to see the personal commitment the Prince of Wales has made to ending homelessness," she said.

"Across the Church of England we share this desire to tackle the underlying causes as well as supporting those in crisis.

"The leadership of the Prince of Wales will undoubtedly have a tangible impact; his determination to address this crisis will be welcomed by churches up and down the country who are on the front line of supporting those experiencing homelessness.

"Ending homelessness does indeed require a societal response, and we will play our part.

"The *Coming Home* report from the Archbishops' Commission on Housing, Church and Community set out the role that the Church can play in addressing a lack of truly affordable and high quality housing - a major factor behind homelessness.

"We are working to bring about that vision, and are grateful for the wisdom and encouragement from the Duchy of Cornwall and Royal Foundation.

"Good homes provide a foundation for communities where everyone can flourish. Together we have substantial resources to bring to bear, and so we look forward to adding our support to the Prince of Wales as he leads on this vital issue."

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