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think
before
you give

There is no need for anyone to beg in York.

- There are many organisations offering accommodation and/or support across the city.
- Homeless people are entitled to claim benefits and therefore do not need your loose change.
- Living on the street is unsafe and a risk to health.
- Begging is a criminal offence.

By giving to beggars you are effectively keeping them on the street, rather than encouraging them to seek the support they need to move on with their lives.

Safer York Partnership is working to encourage people off the streets and into a better life. Your act of kindness can compromise this work.

