

PETITION DH02.07 – ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Report of the Director of Derby Homes

SUMMARY OF REPORT

1. A petition has been received from residents on Ballater Close, Sinfen about the anti social behaviour of a family and their visitors on Ballater Close. This report gives further detail on the background and action taken.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. To note the action taken in respect of this petition.

MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 A petition was received on 12 September 2002 signed by 9 tenancies on Ballater Close, Sinfen. The petitioners were complaining about the anti social behaviour 2 residents and visitors on Ballater Close. The residents were complaining about children knocking on their doors asking for food, cigarettes and generally being rowdy and causing a nuisance. The alleged perpetrators were reported to have been verbally abusive and were having bonfires in their front garden and throwing food and other debris in their garden. This nuisance started virtually as soon as the tenants moved into their home and has been ongoing for several weeks.
- 3.2 The complaint has been thoroughly investigated by the New Sinfen Local Housing office.
- 3.3 The Estate Manager received complaints from residents on Ballater Close about the nuisance that was been caused by the alleged perpetrators on 12 July 2002. The perpetrators were issued with a warning letter on 17 July 2002, clearly outlining that if this nuisance continued further action would be taken. Further complaints were received on 22 July 2002 by telephone from a resident of Ballater Close. A home visit was completed that day to issue a final verbal warning, and to discuss action that would take place if the nuisance persisted. The perpetrators said that they were being verbally abused by residents on the Close, they were advised to complete diary sheets. The Community Watch Patrol were asked to patrol the Close each evening to monitor the nuisance. Mediation was offered to all parties involved, but refused by the complainants. The perpetrators accepted the offer of mediation. The nuisance continued, and a petition was then received. On receipt of the petition, the petitioner and all signatories were visited and interviewed. The signatories were advised of all the action that had been taken so far. The petitioner and signatories

all stated that the nuisance had now stopped. The Local Manager advised all the residents to notify her if it started up again. The perpetrators were advised that a petition had been received and warned that a Notice Of Seeking Possession would be served. They assured the Local Manager that they would cause no further nuisance.

3.4 No further complaints have been received.

CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS

4. None.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. None.

LEGAL AND CONFIDENTIALITY IMPLICATIONS

6. None.

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

7. None.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

8. None.

EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

9. None.

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