

LEEDS ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR TEAM

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The problem:

The complainant has suffered with the problems for about 3-4 months but hasn't reported the issues until now. The boyfriend of a tenant's daughter and his associates were causing nuisance to neighbours by riding Mini moto type motorbikes, up and down the street sometimes as late as midnight. The bikes were confiscated by the police but there are still problems at the address. The people attending the address get drunk, behave in a rowdy manner and fight. They are constantly outside regardless of weather, drinking and playing loud music, on a previous occasion neighbours from elsewhere on the estate have come to the property at around 2/3am and after shouting and swearing a fight broke out resulting in police being called. WYP attended in numbers including a dog unit and a van with numerous officers. The complainant called Leeds Anti Social Behaviour Team because he was worried about this escalating behaviour and the trouble which is spilling out into the street.

The investigation:

The case officer responded by visiting the complainant at his home address and taking down a full account of the problems the complainant had experienced. The officer researched the problem address and through joint work with West Yorkshire Police identified who was responsible. Armed with this information the case officer visited the tenant of the property where the problems were stemming from. The case officer explained that he had gathered enough information to demonstrate that the tenant had breached their tenancy agreement. The tenant was advised what needed to happen to avoid further action being taken, which can ultimately lead to eviction. Although the tenant denied the allegations, the case officer had enough information to prove the breaches of tenancy. The case officer monitored the situation and stayed in contact with the complainant who reported that the nuisance had stopped.

The result:

Almost a month later, the complainant reported that the nuisance has stopped completely and he is no longer suffering from the anti social behaviour. The case was closed without having to resort to legal action. Actions were taken by the tenant to manage visitors attending his property and ensure that they no longer caused nuisance or annoyance to his neighbours. The complainant had the following to say about the way LASBT handled the case "I felt Peter dealt with this very quickly and is a credit to ENEH.(Leeds ASB Team) He is always polite and very helpful and resolved this quickly. Peace has reassumed again."

Many of the cases handled by Case Officers in the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team are resolved without resorting to legal action. Our case officers are trained to investigate complaints of anti social behaviour, offer appropriate support to victims of anti social behaviour and to ensure that those causing anti social behaviour are given the opportunity to change their behaviour or face the consequences of their actions.

Are you suffering from anti social behaviour? Call our ASB Hotline on 0113 2224402 to see what can we do to help you.

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