

Anti Social Behaviour Support

Within the ASB Team there are two officers that offer support to victims and witnesses of ASB, some of whom may be deemed vulnerable. Support is also offered to perpetrators who may also be considered vulnerable due to substance misuse, mental health or from a minority group.

The ASB Support Officer works with perpetrators of anti social behaviour as well as victims who are deemed vulnerable due to domestic abuse issues, alcohol and/or drug misuse.

The ASB Victim and Witness Support Officer works with people experiencing persistent anti social behaviour, including those who may be targeted for reasons such as their race, sexuality, age, religion, and those who are considered vulnerable for reasons such as age, disability and mental health.

Both support officers conduct regular home visits with residents referred for support and provide information, advice, support, and reassurance in relation to the ongoing issues they face. They also signpost and refer residents to other agencies that could offer additional support if a specific need is identified.

Other agencies that could be referred to are:

- Adult and young people alcohol and drug services
- Counselling
- Play Therapy
- Activities in the area
- Preventions
- Parenting Services
- Junior YIP
- PLAY
- Victim Support
- Domestic / Sexual Violence Agencies
- Sexual Health Service
- Social Services
- Enforcement Teams
- Police
- Bereavement support services
- Education Courses / Services

Relocation support visits are offered to vulnerable perpetrators who have been re-housed as a result of their anti social behaviour. The ASB Support Officer can also put a behaviour promise in place to help change the behaviour of young people.

Aims of the Anti Social Behaviour Support Officer:

- To offer advice and support to vulnerable perpetrators who may be under threat of losing their tenancy
- To try and stop anti social behaviour using methods other than enforcement.
- Where possible help the perpetrator modify their behaviour, and maintain a successful tenancy with the aim of reducing support over time. NB: If intervention is unsuccessful enforcement action will then be taken by the housing provider or the ASB team.

The anti social behaviour support officer has received 100% satisfaction from clients.

Aims of the Anti Social Behaviour Victim & Witness Support Officer:

- To support people experiencing persistent anti social behaviour through the investigation process by providing regular updates, maintaining frequent contact, and encouraging victims/witnesses to report any further incidents.
- To assist in easing the level of stress, anxiety, and frustration often felt when experiencing anti social behaviour by listening to victims' concerns and offering appropriate support, advice, and information.
- To work effectively with partner agencies and assist in achieving successful case resolutions

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