

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR (ASB) INCREMENTAL APPROACH

Midlands
Rural Housing

OUT OF COURT STAGE

A person can enter the incremental approach at any 'Out of court stage' dependent on the severity of the incident reported.

ADVICE – LETTER OR VERBAL

Issued to highlight incidents of ASB which have raised concern.

WARNING LETTER

Issued to highlight a person's ongoing or more serious involvement in ASB and request for this behaviour to stop.

ACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR CONTRACT

Issued to address a person's ASB and to support them in stopping this behaviour.

NOTICE SEEKING POSSESSION

Issued to notify a person that legal proceedings for possession will start.

COURT STAGE

In extreme cases a person may enter at the 'Court stage' of the incremental approach.

CIVIL INJUNCTION

A civil remedy intended to stop or prevent individuals engaging in ASB before incidents escalate.

CLOSURE NOTICE / ORDER

Designed to allow the Police and Local Authority to quickly close a premises being used, or likely to be used, to commit nuisance or disorder.

CRIMINAL BEHAVIOUR ORDER

Court order issued against a person involved in persistent ASB to protect the public from harassment, alarm or distress.

OTHER POSSIBLE SANCTIONS

- Community Protection Notice
- Demoted tenancies
- Possession Order
- Injunction against unlawful use of premises
- Exclusion Order and power to arrest

As a tenant of our Rural Housing Association, committing anti-social behaviour will be seen as a breach of the terms of your tenancy agreement. If there is repeated evidence of continued anti-social behaviour, we, the Local Authority, or the Police may apply to the courts for a Civil Injunction or Criminal Behaviour Order. We may also apply for a Possession Order on your home. If you're evicted on the grounds of anti-social behaviour, the Local Authority may reserve the right to refuse to accommodate you again.