

Antisocial Behaviour Service Standards – a summary of what you can expect from Hexagon

This summary sets out the minimum level of service you can expect from Hexagon Housing Association. We are committed to meeting all of these standards. You can find all our policies relating to Antisocial Behaviour here.

What is Antisocial Behaviour?

Hexagon will use the legal definitions of antisocial behaviour in relation to tenancy management contained in the Antisocial Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 that it is:

"Conduct capable of causing nuisance or annoyance to a person in relation to that person's occupation of residential premises," and "Conduct capable of causing housing related nuisance or annoyance to any person."

- We will take a victim centered approach to managing antisocial behaviour.
- We will contact you by telephone to carry out a risk assessment and to agree an action plan.
- All antisocial behaviour reports we receive will be logged on our case management system to ensure there is an audit trail.
- We will send an acknowledgement letter summarising your report and the agreed action plan. We may send you diary sheets to complete and, if necessary, information about mediation.
- We will confirm your preferred method of communication while managing your case.
- We will investigate report of activities that may be antisocial behaviour. Initial actions
 will take place between 24 hours and 10 days of the first report, depending on any
 risk assessment.
 - ❖ LOW 5 -10 working days
 - ❖ MEDIUM 2-5 working days
 - ♦ HIGH 24 hours
- We will not disclose your identity to the person you are making a report about without your agreement. You can find out more about our Privacy Policies here.
- If there are witnesses we will arrange to meet with them and take statements.
- Once we have gathered information from all the parties we will contact you to agree an updated action plan.

- We will monitor any action plan at least once a month to check progress.
- We will work with other agencies that may have information regarding your antisocial behaviour report or may be able to help in managing the case.
- Where appropriate we will make a referral to an independent mediation service to facilitate an agreement between you and the other party. We will always seek your agreement first.
- In some instances we will consider legal action when all other methods of resolving antisocial behaviour have failed and where there is sufficient evidence to support such action.
- You may be required to attend court and provide witness statements
- We will always take legal action where there is evidence of a hate crime, harassment or abuse. You can find copies of our policies <u>here</u>.
- We will keep a record of the antisocial behaviour and any action taken.
- We will contact you at least once a month while a case is ongoing.
- We will contact you before closing a case and follow up in writing.

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