

Good Neighbour Guide

Everyone has a right to enjoy their lives in their own way as long as they do not cause problems for others in their community. The Council sets out in your Tenancy Agreement or Lease what behaviours is acceptable, but the first step to being a good neighbour is to respect those around you.

A Good Neighbour...



Is tolerant and accepting of the different lifestyles and cultures of others

Keeps their home, garden and communal area in a good condition at all times

Is responsible for the behaviour of their children

Is responsible for the behaviour of any visitors

Takes responsibility for their pets

Lets neighbours know if they are having a party

Is not too quick to complain and instead speaks calmly to their neighbour about any issues

A Bad Neighbour...



Uses threatening, abusive or violent behaviour towards their neighbours or wider community

Continuously plays loud music or television

Continuously has loud arguments and/or persistent door slamming

Does DIY in the night

Allows their property to be used for the sale of drugs or any other criminal behaviour

Parks inconsiderately

Allows their dog to howl all day or foul in communal areas

Remember, living close to others will sometimes result in some noise or activity that you may find annoying. People have different lifestyles, working patterns and cultures. Annoying, or occasional, behaviour does not in itself constitute anti social behaviour and you should consider how reasonable the behaviour is before you complain.