

### **Cavendish Court Tenant Representations**

Occupants of 7 flats have made a statement about the declaration and how it will affect them.

The statement includes the following (full text is available below):

- 7 tenants have signed, 3 others are on holiday, 3 flats are empty.
- The people who've signed don't want to move out, they like living at Cavendish Court and have spent a lot of time and money making their flat their home.
- The location is very good with shops and buses very close by (a bus stop is just outside the flats).
- 2 residents need to go to hospital quite a lot and the buses are their lifeline.
- Everyone gets on with each other and help each other.
- 'It's more like a family up here.'
- The only issue they have is from fly tipping which isn't always from the flats.

Officer comments:

Although the current mix of tenants may be reasonable, turn over is high and there have been serious anti-social behaviour issues in the past. The flats are in the bottom sector of the rental market and not all landlords appear to vet their tenants or manage tenancies effectively.

Any decorative improvements made to the inside of the properties may look aesthetically pleasing but nothing has been done to improve the underlying disrepair issues within each flat or in the block as a whole.

If the residents are made homeless through the compulsory purchase process they will have the Council's support to find suitable accommodation; most tenants will be eligible for statutory home-loss payments and disturbance payments which will help them to make their new house into a home.

We've got some Tennants to sign but 3 others are on there holidays, plus 3 flats are empty.

The people who've signed don't want to move out, they like living here and have spent a lot of time and money making their flat their home. They've got everything they want up here, shops, buses, everything is on route, two residents need to go to hospital quite a lot and the buses are their lifeline. The bus stops are right outside of the flats, everyone gets on with each other and help each other if they need it. It's more like a family up here.

The only issue we have is the fly tipping which isn't always from the flats.

It's come to our attention that 3 flats are still for sale, and they are still having viewings.?