

## Golden Gates Housing Trust press release

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### **Golden Gates Housing Trust obtain injunction against tenant in Orford**

**Golden Gates Housing Trust (GGHT)** have obtained a two-year injunction against Leon Cameron, a tenant from Bexhill Avenue in Orford. The injunction prohibits Mr Cameron from keeping dogs in his property, with the court giving him 28 days grace to re-house the dogs.

The injunction was granted by Warrington County Court on the 15 November 2011 following complaints from local residents that the defendant, Mr Cameron was allowing his dogs to run freely, fouling in the communal gardens and not clearing the mess up after them. This prevented them from enjoying the use of the gardens and in particular, meant that they were unable to allow their children in the garden unsupervised. During the court proceedings, GGHT's Anti-Social Behaviour Office gave hearsay evidence on behalf of the residents, meaning that they did not have to attend court to give evidence and thereby protecting their anonymity.

Despite GGHT issuing the defendant with several warnings and trying to engage with him, Mr Cameron failed to re-house the dogs. A Golden Gates Housing Trust spokesperson said, "As we have shown in this case we will use all powers available to us to prevent anti-social behaviour and to protect our tenants. Any of our tenants who feel that they are the victims of such behaviour should contact us immediately and in complete confidence on 0800 25 26 27."

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## **About Golden Gates Housing Trust**

Golden Gates Housing Trust (GGHT) launched on 29 November 2010, formed as part of the Stock Transfer of 8,700 homes from Warrington Borough Council. The transfer converted the successful Arms Length Management Organisation Golden Gates Housing into a registered provider of social housing.

GGHT will be investing around £105M in tenants' homes and neighbourhoods over the first 5 years and £530M over 30 years to deliver the "Warrington Standard". This Standard has been developed by GGHT's tenants to ensure that improvements and investment is prioritised in the areas that tenants have said are a priority. Plans include the installation of double glazing and secured front and rear doors in all properties over the next five years as well as environmental improvements such as fencing, gates and lighting.