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Tenant evicted – 20mph limits – Skyscanner opening US office – Borgen fever – Community Council meeting

A 44-year-old man has been evicted from his Council flat in the south west of Edinburgh after continued breaches of an anti-social behaviour order.

Douglas Blakey, of Calder Grove, was evicted by Sheriff Officers at the end of last week after The City of Edinburgh Council was granted an eviction order by the Edinburgh Sheriff Court .

Over the past two years neighbours had complained about loud parties, loud music and allegations of fighting in his tenancy and the common stair. As a result he received several formal warnings from the Council but the complaints continued.

The Council successfully applied for an Anti-Social Behaviour Order however neighbours were still complaining so an eviction order was sought and granted in December 2012.

The eviction was carried out successfully by Sheriff Officers.

Councillor Cammy Day, Housing Leader for the City of Edinburgh

Council , said: "I hope yesterday's eviction sends out a clear message that we will not tolerate anti-social behaviour. Evicting a tenant from their home is not something that the Council does lightly but in this case we had to take the strongest possible action.

"Tenants have a duty to behave responsibly however Mr Blakely's neighbours were subjected to constant anti-social behaviour which made their lives a misery.

"He was served with an anti-social behaviour order but this was breached on numerous occasions so the Council had no option but to go to court for an eviction order.

"The Capital Coalition gave a commitment to ensuring tenants fulfil their good conduct responsibilities and we are determined not to let a small minority ruin the lives of those tenants who behave responsibly."

Councillor Cameron Rose highlights the controversy over 20mph speed limits and whether these actually increase pollution. [Read more here.](#)

Skyscanner which is based in Edinburgh's Quartermile is expanding to open a US office in Miami according to [The Financial Times.](#)

Borgen fever came to Edinburgh yesterday and even the Deputy First Minister was bowled over by it. The Danish political drama series has many fans in Edinburgh which meant that the Filmhouse had to have two showings of the final episodes yesterday afternoon when the first sold out in hours. [Read more in The Scotsman](#) and in [The Herald.](#)

Tomorrow evening the West End Community Council meet. Here is their agenda for the February meeting:-

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