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Tenant gets last chance

A 51-year-old Coventry resident is one of the first people in the city to be saved from eviction under groundbreaking new powers.

Jack Kybird, of Longfield House, Bell Green Road, was served a demotion order by Coventry County Court yesterday following an application by Whitefriars Housing Group.

The order means that Mr Kybird will have another chance to amend his behaviour. If his anti-social actions continue, which have included noise nuisance such as playing music at unsociable hours and hammering late at night, Whitefriars will head back to court to seek an eviction.

Whitefriars took the measure thanks to local residents who recorded details in diary sheets of the problems they suffered.

Tony Marsella, of the asb4 team at Whitefriars, said: "We believe that all tenants should be free to enjoy their homes in peace. We take anti-social behaviour very seriously and will always take appropriate action.

"Eviction is always a last resort which is why we've taken the unusual step in this case to apply for a demoted tenancy. This limits Mr Kybird's rights and makes it easier to seek eviction if his behaviour continues.

“We believe this is the right decision for Mr Kybird and also his neighbours.”

Residents affected by anti-social behaviour should call Whitefriars on
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