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Cambridge Housing Society Evicts Anti-Social Family

Cambridge Housing Society (CHS) obtained an eviction order on 10 November 2006 against their tenants, Mr and Mrs Entwistle of 66 Swansley Lane, Cambourne. The family are also now under an injunction not to cause a nuisance and also have to comply with an exclusion order whereby they are liable to arrest if they return Lower Cambourne.

Jo Mills, Director of Housing and Care Services said 'Evicting someone is never done lightly, but this family has committed anti-social behaviour since they moved into Swansley Lane two years ago. Despite successive warnings and being given ample opportunity to change their behaviour, we felt we had no choice but to pursue this action for the sake of other residents. We are hoping that this is the first step in returning this neighbourhood to being an attractive, peaceful place to live.'

The property was one of those raided in a high profile Police operation last month and CHS has worked with the Police and other agencies to try to prevent the criminal and nuisance behaviour from continuing.

Debra Carey, Housing Officer for Cambourne, was relieved for local residents who have been living under great pressure. We have been working closely with the Police and Court Action was started some time ago. This action could not have been taken without the people who have been prepared to come forward and give evidence in Court, and we applaud their courage in doing this.' One resident, who wished to remain anonymous out of concern for further problems had this to say: 'It's been like living on a knife edge, all the time worrying about what was going to happen next. Life within Swansley Lane will now be calmer and more peaceful.'

In addition, on 13 November, the Court awarded CHS an injunction order for 2½ years on a neighbouring tenant's ex-partner who will be arrested if he returns to Lower Cambourne.

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