

ORGANISE! ACT COLLECTIVELY! DEMAND AFFORDABLE RENTS!

ARE YOU A PRIVATE TENANT?

or know someone who is?

Secure Tenancies for all!

Until 1988 most tenancies were secure / long term and rents were capped by law at affordable levels. We can all be demanding this now.

Bring rents down!

Housing is a basic necessity, just like food and water - no one should be making a profit out of someone's basic right to a home. If you can't afford your rent, your landlord is charging too much - get support to negotiate a lower rent or join us to take action collectively.

No to discrimination!

Outrageous notices like 'No DSS' (people on benefits) must be challenged. Such discrimination must be banned, just like racism and sexism. And Letting Agents fees should be scrapped.

Resist evictions!

If a landlord wants to evict they must first issue a valid Notice To Quit - eg. It's not valid if they've not put your deposit in an official protected scheme. Then they have to go to court. Get advice. If they evict illegally, or harass a tenant, it is a criminal offence. Some tenants are arguing in court that an eviction due to benefit caps would infringe their legally-protected human rights to family life.

Bring Rent Down!

Evict Dodgy

Landlords

HARINGEY PRIVATE TENANTS ACTION GROUP

Landlords are increasing rents to unaffordable levels, discriminating against people on housing benefit - and private tenants are left vulnerable to exploitation and abuse. Housing is a fundamental right. Unless we take action together our voices will remain unheard and our situation will remain precarious. There are over 25,000 private tenants in Haringey - let's get together and take action!

What can private tenants do ?

Support one another

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Campaigning

We can campaign for Haringey Council to support private tenants. For example, at the moment they run a landlords forum to support landlords - but there is no tenants forum. Why not?

Challenge landlords

We need to take back control of our lives and demand the right to affordable and secure housing. Housing is a necessity, and no one should be discriminated against for being low waged or on housing benefit. We can name and shame all landlords and letting agents who discriminate and charge unaffordable rents. We can also help to empower tenants to try to negotiate with their landlord over rents. Landlords can be persuaded to keep a reliable, known tenant on a lower rent, rather than have to go through a costly and inconvenient process of finding a new tenant.

Haringey Private Tenants Action Group meets monthly to support one another with renting problems, discuss taking action to improve housing for us all and improve the rights of private tenants in Haringey. Email for more info: haringeyprivatetenants@gmail.com

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 24th September 2013, at 6.30pm** in Cafe Life, North London Community House, 22 Moorefield Road, behind Bruce Grove Station N17 6PY. All welcome!

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