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# Spring 2025

# Welcome to your **Midlothian Tenant's Spring 2025 Newsletter**

First tenants move into new housing development The first Midlothian tenants have moved into their new homes at the Bellway Homes development at Shawfair in Danderhall.



Above: new tenant Gary Robinson (left) and Cllr Stuart McKenzie (right) outside Gary's new house.

## **Useful Numbers:**

Emergency services: 999 Police, non-emergency: 101 NHS24: 111 Loss of power: 0800 077 8778 Gas emergencies: 0800 111 999 Flood line Scotland: 0345 988 1188 Emergency council housing repairs: 0131 663 7211 Emergency social work service: 0800 71 6969 Emergency homelessness: 0808 196 2292 Or out of hours: 0131 201 0450

Bellway have built 18 properties for Midlothian Council at this site. This comprises two, three and four-bedroom homes. Cost effective air source heating has been installed at these properties.

The properties were completed at the end of December and Gary Robinson and his partner were able to move in just before Christmas.



Gary who has been on the housing waiting list since 2018, is overjoyed with his new two-bedroom terraced home.

He said: "I'm really happy with my new home. It's been built to a high standard and I'm enjoying living here."

Cllr Stuart McKenzie, Cabinet Member for Housing said: "It was a pleasure to meet Gary, one of the first tenants to move into this development. I am delighted to hear that he is happy with his new home and settling in well. New, modern homes like these can make a world of difference to people's lives."

The next phase of properties will be released later in the year.



# **TENANTS DAY**

Come and join us at our FREE family fun day offering:

- An opportunity to chat to housing staff
  - Information stalls
    - Refreshments

1st July 2025, 1pm – 3pm **Dalkeith Art centre** 



## **HOW WE HELP**

We offer a safe, welcoming space for Veterans and families where they can find advice and support for:

health and wellbeing, housing, homelessness, employment, education, training, volunteering, pensions, benefits and finances

Comradeship and befriending

Practical and peer support

Activities/events/trips

Food/toiletry parcels

We also operate a Warm Hub to help with the cost of living crisis

## **DROP-IN**

Mondays – \*Fridays, 10am – 4pm Fridays are our social days.

> We can be found at the Royal British Legion, Dalkeith, 10am – 12.30pm

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### **Tenant Participation** Your opinion matters to us.

We encourage all our tenants and service users to get involved so they can influence the housing services we deliver.



We can help and support you in several ways, for example to help you set up a tenant and resident's group or to get involved in tenant scrutiny which can help us improve services for tenants.

You can get involved in a way that suits you, such as:

- Through a tenant and resident's group
- By getting involved in our tenant scrutiny activities
- Joining the Tenant Panel
- Estate walkabouts

#### For more information please see the <u>Tenant Participation & Customer Engagement</u> <u>Strategy Housing strategy and performance |</u> <u>Midlothian Council</u>

or email your queries to: tenant.participation@midlothian.gov.uk

## Estate walkabouts

Estate walkabouts will take place monthly throughout the year. These give you the opportunity to discuss what matters to you and your community. Housing officers and councillors will be in attendance. These will be advertised on our social media and other channels.

#### The visits for this year are:

- February: Pathhead Tuesday 11, February 10am – 12 noon. Crichton Avenue to Crichton Terrace
- March: Roslin Thursday 13 March, 12 noon – 2pm. Lawson Johnstone Drive to Prentice Fields.
- April: Danderhall

Wednesday 16 April, 12 noon – 2pm. Newton Church Road to Edmonstone Terrace on Edmonstone Road.

#### May: Penicuik

Monday 19 May, 1pm – 3pm. Carlops Crescent to Carlops Avenue on Cuiken Avenue.

#### June: Bonnyrigg

Friday 27 June, 10am – 12 noon. Sherwood Crescent to Sherwood Loan on Sherwood View.

#### July: Dalkeith

Tuesday 15 July, 1pm – 3pm. Gibraltar Terrace to Gibraltar Gardens on Gibraltar Road.