

Whalley Range Community Forum. Homelessness and housing stress Action Points from March 2026 meeting.

WHAT	HOW	WHO
<p>Raise awareness re housing rights and the Law – e.g. Renters’ Rights Act End of Section 21 Tenants First Housing Policy Rent controls</p>	<p>Spread information using range of methods translation of paperwork (e.g. for use in meetings with tenants) Check if this has already been done</p>	<p>All GM Tenants Union south.mcr@tenantsunion.org.uk Shelter manchester@shelter.org.uk</p>
<p>Help available locally for those affected</p>	<p>As above</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>Disparity between numbers of people living in poor conditions/being evicted and reporting to MCC and having action taken (e.g. relatively small number of prosecutions).</p>	<p>Tenants to be supported to make complaints without fear of eviction</p>	<p>Advice agencies</p>
<p>Raise awareness of issues amongst general public, service providers, tenants. Etc.</p> <p>Campaign for possible solutions</p> <p>Lobby politicians, especially pre local elections</p>	<p>Produce flyer with information and help available, to be distributed door to door Use networks (e.g. Social media).</p> <p>Stalls at community events</p> <p>e.g. Campaign for Fair renting. Manchester Renters Collective</p> <p>GMTU Resist Rent Rises Demo 18th April London</p> <p>Write, meetings, coordinate pressure, talk about housing in elections</p>	<p>WR Community Forum communityforumwhalleyrange@gmail.com</p> <p>Mutual aid street What’s App group. Community Groups/ neighbourhood resources e.g. churches, mosques, social workers Celebrate 4th May 2026 celebratewhalleyrange@gmail.com Pride on the Range 23rd May 2026 prideontherange@gmail.com</p> <p>Supported by Shelter Megan_Hassett@shelter.org.uk</p> <p>MPs, counsellors Afsal Khan lobbied (via CP), he is already working with St. Marg’s, will raise where can. Election candidates</p>

<p>What is taking place locally re. evictions etc</p>	<p>Sharing St. Margarets statement https://www.whalleyrange.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/WRCF-March-26Housing-issues-faced-by-the-parents-of-St-Margaret-1.docx</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>Make the most of what already exists</p>	<p>Work in partnership Reach out to other wards Keep in touch /take issues to Local Authorities Surgeries for publicity</p>	<p>Alle.g. Ward Co-ordination meetings / Public Health Sam Campbell (GP neighbourhood lead, JW has approached)</p>
<p>Increase knowledge base Housing stock and conditions</p> <p>Knowledge of impact on health</p>	<p>Identify a hit list of local properties in disrepair, and available empty properties for rent.</p> <p>Capture anonymised info re numbers of people (especially children) with health issues due to bad housing</p>	<p>All? Coordinated by?</p> <p>GPs? Hospitals? Via Schools e.g. PTAs (e.g. Lisa, St. Margarets school)</p>