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Tower Hamlets Crime Watch backs national effort to address anti-social behaviour during ASB Awareness Week 2025

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Tower Hamlets Crime Watch is proud to stand with organisations across the UK in support of **ASB Awareness Week 2025**, a national campaign running from **30 June – 6 July** to take a stand against anti-social behaviour (ASB) and promote safer communities.

Led by Resolve, the UK's leading organisation on community safety and ASB, the week is backed by Resolve members, HM Government, Local Government Association, and key partners including the National Police Chiefs' Council, National Fire Chiefs' Council, Historic England, Neighbourhood Watch, the Premier League Charitable Fund, Association of Police and Crime Commissioners and others.

Now in its fifth year, ASB Awareness Week 2025 highlights the impact that ASB has on victims and communities, raises awareness of the support available to victims, and promotes **partnership working**, bringing together councils, housing associations, police, charities, youth organisations and community groups, reflective of the fact that everyone has a role in tackling ASB.

Tower Hamlets Crime Watch, based in Tower Hamlets, is promoting this event on social media, website and supports actively Tower Hamlets Police, Met Police and Tower Hamlets Council events. We encourage you to visit our ASB pages and use our reporting and noting tools <u>incident-diary – Tower Hamlets Crime Watch</u> as well as complete our survey. These efforts highlight our commitment to addressing ASB / the importance of empowering local people / any outcomes you want to focus on.

Recent research from YouGov, commissioned by Resolve, found that:

- Nearly 1 in 5 people have considered moving home due to ASB.
- 1 in 10 have actually moved.
- Despite this, over half of those who experienced or witnessed ASB did not report it.

Christine Townsend, Chair and Trustee, said:

"Feeling confident and safe is our priority. 'Everyone deserves to feel safe in their home and their neighbourhood. ASB Awareness Week is a chance to raise awareness, support victims, and build stronger partnerships to prevent anti-social behaviour before it escalates."

Rebecca Bryant OBE, Chief Executive of Resolve, said:

"ASB is not low-level. It can have a devastating and long-lasting impact on individuals and communities and often escalates to increasingly harmful behaviour.

"We are delighted that Tower Hamlets Crime Watch is backing this vital campaign. It is only through strong local partnerships that we can meet the growing challenge of ASB and ensure people feel safe where they live."

If you are affected by ASB, you can report it to your local council's ASB team or call the police if you are in immediate danger. Don't suffer in silence—help and support are available.

For more information about ASB Awareness Week, visit: www.resolveuk.org.uk/asb-awareness-week

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About ASB Awareness Week:

ASB Awareness Week 2025 takes place from **30 June to 6 July**, bringing together key partners from across the UK to highlight the impact of ASB, share best practice, and support those affected.

About Resolve:

Resolve is the UK's leading centre of excellence focused solely on anti-social behaviour and community safety. Through training, guidance, policy development and frontline support, Resolve empowers organisations to respond effectively to ASB. Its members include housing providers, councils, police services, and legal experts working together to make communities safer.