

Press release

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Hackney Homes clamps down on estate drug dens

Hackney Homes has clamped down on tenants who were caught using their homes as drug dens, following raids with the police last week.

Hackney homes' estate safety team attended police raids on four separate addresses in Hackney following tip offs from local residents.

The raids took place on Friday at Beavis House in Stoke Newington as well as 2 addresses at Beech House on the Lordship South Estate. A stash of drugs was seized by Police at Beavis House and a wanted person was arrested at 5 Beech House.

In Shoreditch the estate safety team also attended a raid with police at the Kingsgate Estate where crack pipes and related paraphernalia were recovered.

Following this discovery, Hackney Homes aims to close the drug dens using anti-social behaviour legislation.

All of the tenants will face further questioning about their suspected illegal activities and could face eviction.

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