Date: 12th - 18th February 2018

For this Street Weeks event, there were a range of partner agencies involved including Essex Fire, Neighbourhood Watch, Crimestoppers, Colchester Borough Homes, Community 360, Connor’s Legacy, Colchester Zone Wardens, Civil enforcement officers, Royal Military Police and the Co-op ASB officers.

What is Street Weeks?

Street Weeks is about face to face community and public engagement. Tackling local issues for local neighbourhoods and empowering communities.

What did we achieve?

• We visited over 900 properties
• Two people were arrested for Possession with Intent to Supply Controlled Drugs at a warrant
• Twenty graffiti removals by the Street Wardens and Volunteer Police Cadets
• Seven licensed premises visited
• Two community engagement events - Community Day on the Recreation Ground and a drop-in event at the Co-op Wimpole Road
• ANPR lead operation by Special Constables with 40 vehicles stopped.
• Raised awareness of Human Trafficking
Date: Thursday 27 April
We had 28 volunteers attend this Make a Difference (MAD) Day and everyone worked really hard to help us achieve lots on the day. It was a busy day full of fun, laughter and opportunities to meet new people.

We are thrilled we had a terrific turnout with local residents joining forces with CBH staff to achieve lots.

What is a MAD day?
Colchester Borough Homes (CBH) Make a Difference days are now a regular fixture in the CBH calendar of events. Chestnut Way, Tiptree was the first venue to receive a visit from the MAD day team in 2017 starting our sixth year of MAD days.

The MAD Days aim to do as the name suggests, to simply make a difference to you, the tenants and residents of Chestnut Way.

Prior to your MAD Day
Prior to your MAD day, your Community Housing Officer took time to consult with as many local residents as possible to ensure that the tasks undertaken on the day would be of value to the local community.

Highlights and Thanks!
Jane and her team would like to express their gratitude to all the volunteers and residents that came out and helped us throughout the day.

A big thank you also goes out to the volunteers from Tiptree Community Church, GO4 Enterprises and Wivenhoe Repair.

Thank you to all that got involved, true community spirit shone through on the day!

What did we achieve?
Prior to the team arriving on site, residents were consulted concerning what changes they would like to see. Listening to our residents is very important to us and is one of the criteria we ask for feedback on when we do our regular STAR surveys. We are thrilled to let you know that on the day we accomplished a great deal. Here are just a few of the things that were achieved:

Led by your Community Housing Officer:

- Cleared foliage from 3 large drying areas
- Installed 5 new rotary lines
- Repaired and replaced damaged fencing in drying areas
- Unblocked drying area drains
- Electric boxes cleaned
- Garages painted
- Walls and fencing cleaned and stained
- Waste and recycling education sessions
- Litter picking
- Gardening tasks including weeding, clearing gardens, pruning trees and hedge trimming
- Resident surveys carried out and feedback gathered from residents
- Filled a skip with garden waste and residents’ household items
- Two Quality Assurance Advisors were recruited too

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