The Champions Network

Quarterly newsletter Winter 2023



This quarter in numbers



4 meetings with Network Champions including 4 landlords and 3 tenants.



4 drop-in sessions with over 50 people engaged and 3 landlord events with a combined total of 225 attendees.



1 new tenant Champion referred.



9 partnerships secured with organisations pledging to work with us on joint campaigns, training and events.

Over 10,000 people engaged with our social media channels with some posts reaching 195 likes.

What are we working on?

The PRS Manager has been working with her Champions on a series of area-specific information guides for tenants and landlords in the Private Rented Sector across Gwent. Our Champions have reported that the biggest challenge for those in the PRS is how to support tenants with additional needs or vulnerabilities, and how to prevent small problems from escalating. We are therefore creating short, simple guides detailing how to get support with a range of common issues, which will be available to tenants and landlords in each area of Gwent.

We have also been developing a bank of case studies about the experiences of minority groups in private renting. Our

partnerships with Care & Repair, EYST, Holistic Hoarding and Victim Support have revealed how certain groups are more likely to experience problems with private renting than others. These case studies will be vital in helping to inform our future work.

COMING UP IN THE NEXT QUARTER:

- Online cultural awareness session for PRS landlords on 23rd January, hosted by EYST
- Torfaen Landlord Forum in January date TBC
- An exciting joint campaign alongside a new partner watch this space!
- The second PRSO Networking Roundtable in February a chance for those working in the PRS in Gwent to come together to share best practice - date TBC



