

Haunted House at Penhill

A Swindon council house is to be exorcised after a young couple fled in terror at the weekend from 'an evil and vicious spirit.'

Teenagers Perry Boyce, 17, and his 16-year-old girlfriend Donna said an invisible force tried to kill their three-weekold baby, Emma.

And after making investigations Thamesdown Council has agreed to carry out an exorcism at the house in Melksham Close, Penhill. A spokesman told us: "We heard about the case yesterday and we are going to get someone to perform an exorcism. The couple are not telling lies about this house, and we are going to rehouse them straight away." He added "The couple are not telling lies about this house, and we are going to re-house them right away." He said no previous tenants had reported similar disturbances.

Perry, by then staying with his girlfriend and daughter at a relative's home, said the trouble began as soon as they moved in.

"We were absolutely terrified," he said. "I woke up at the start to hear the dog howling for dear life downstairs. I could also hear the door banging as though someone was trying to get in. The next morning the attic door was open, the pantry door had been ripped open and the bolts on the back door were broken."

A friend, Diane Farrow, 26, who stayed with the couple shortly before they fled, said: "Donna and I were making coffee in the kitchen when the door started to rattle as though someone were trying to get in. "We didn't stop to see, we just ran out of the kitchen as fast as we could." Everybody then settled to sleep in the living room, Diane said, only for the lights to flash on and off and a cassette recorder to levitate and hurtle 10 feet toward the baby's cot.

A few days later, previous tenant Peter Everett came forward to say he and his family had noticed nothing untoward at the house – but that his children were now being taunted by schoolmates.

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