



Neighbourhood Watch
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“Crime cannot flourish in a Community that Cares”

From PCSO Wil Weininger 6169

To The Residents of Hallway Drive, Shilton

We might all be familiar with the term “Neighbourhood Watch” but how do schemes work and do they make a difference?

Neighbourhood Watch is a popular way for people of all ages and backgrounds to get involved in local crime issues and community issues. This usually begins with people sharing crime prevention advice and activities, keeping an eye on each other’s property, improving home security and building two-way communication with the police. *By becoming a member of a Neighbourhood Watch scheme you can help the police and your neighbours to strengthen your community; you can make your area an even better place to live.*

Against the backdrop of the slogan “**Crime cannot flourish in a Community that cares**”, these are the main aims of the Neighbourhood Watch movement:

- **Cut crime and the opportunities for crime;**
- **Help and reassure those who live in fear of crime;**
- **Encourage neighbourliness and closer communities;**
- **Tell the police and your neighbours about suspicious incidents in your neighbourhood.**

Neighbourhood Watch has proved itself to be successful. All over the country and in all sorts of locations *active* schemes have reduced crime rates by working with each other and the police. Crime in our local community reduces our quality of life: it influences how safe we feel, the extent to which we respect our neighbours and our buildings and how our children grow up and what values they adopt.

As far as “active” schemes are concerned (and these are schemes that hold the occasional meeting and generally keep things ticking over) did you know that *as a member of such a scheme you could be eligible for savings of up to 15-20% on your home insurance premium?*

Hopefully, this letter will strike a chord and encourage you to want to find out more about Neighbourhood Watch, with a view to setting up a scheme in this locality. If this is the case, please complete the modest questionnaire enclosed with this letter and return it to **the above address, telephone or email.**

One final point: a properly organised scheme means that no one person becomes inundated with tasks, so do not be put off by the prospect of having to find yet more free time before getting involved.

Yours sincerely
Wilhelm Weininger 6169
Police Community Support Officer



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME QUESTIONNAIRE

Please place a tick in the appropriate box:

1. Are you interested in taking part in a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme?
 YES NO
2. Would you be willing to attend a meeting to discuss setting up a Scheme?
 YES NO
3. Would you be prepared to receive messages from the police and pass them on to other residents?
 YES NO

Please write your name, address and telephone number below:

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms _____

Address _____

Telephone no: Home _____

E-mail address: _____

Please return this form to the address at the beginning of letter
Or simply leave a voicemail or e-mail with your details

Thank you for completing this questionnaire



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