

OUR NEWS



FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SUPPORTERS ACROSS ENGLAND & WALES



Happy New Year and welcome to our first edition of 2022. I hope you had a safe and enjoyable Christmas break and New Year.

As you know, this year it is 40 years since the first

Neighbourhood Watch group was formed in the UK in Cheshire in 1982. We have since grown to be the largest crime prevention charity in the UK. We will be celebrating this incredible achievement in a variety of ways throughout the year, and we'd love you to get involved.

To kick-start our celebrations we have launched a special [40th anniversary logo](#), which you can see below. Throughout the year we will be focusing on: recognising and cheering our volunteers, and ensuring inclusion, representation and diversity throughout the organisation to help ensure Neighbourhood Watch has another great 40 years ahead.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH WEEK

(30th May - 5th June) this year will have the theme of 40 YEARS - 40 ACTIONS to encourage groups to engage with their communities through a mix of small and big actions. The week falls over the same weekend as the Queen's and a Big Lunch provides the perfect opportunity to get-together safely with your neighbours outdoors with a street party.

However you choose to join in, we look forward to celebrating with you this year and strengthening our role in making communities even better.

Warmest wishes for the year ahead.

**John Hayward-Cripps,
CEO, NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NETWORK**

Special-edition logo launched to celebrate 40th Anniversary

Neighbourhood Watch groups have supported and enabled individuals and communities to be connected, active and safe for the past 40 years.

We have grown in strength since the first UK scheme was established in Mollington, Cheshire in 1982, to become the largest UK crime prevention charity that we are today. In recognition of this milestone and to celebrate our rich history we are thrilled to have launched a [special-edition logo](#) to be used throughout 2022.

With a tested **brand recognition of 95%**, the 40th anniversary logo reflects our widely recognisable traditional logo whilst introducing a softer teal colour. The new central image celebrates and reflects our

communities' uniqueness and togetherness.

The teal colour will be formally adopted as an additional Neighbourhood Watch core colour later in the year, but Neighbourhood Watch representatives can start using the colour from now. [Click here](#) for further details of the teal colour.



Neighbourhood Watch groups can use this special-edition logo throughout 2022 or continue using our original traditional logo.

[Download the English or Welsh version of the logo here.](#)

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'40 YEARS - 40 ACTIONS' for NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH WEEK

This year, as we celebrate 40 years of supporting neighbours and building communities' resilience, we are delighted to mark [NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH WEEK](#) with the theme of **40 YEARS - 40 ACTIONS**.

We will be sharing 40 actions that you can do with your neighbours – try one, two or all 40! The actions range from small things that make a big difference, to large actions that need planning soon, such as a street party. For now, we encourage you to save the date, **30th May - 5th June!**

[NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH WEEK](#) this year not only falls on the same weekend as The Big Lunch, but it also falls on a 4-day weekend, with May Day Bank Holiday on Thursday 2nd June and the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Friday 3rd June.

Last year we teamed up with good causes across the UK to celebrate summer with a MONTH OF COMMUNITY in June. This year, we will be continuing that partnership so look out for more details in the coming months. Join in when it works for you and your community, whether that's to say cheers to volunteers, connect with your neighbours, or support a cause you care about.

Always putting health and safety first and following Government Covid rules, if you are considering planning a street party to celebrate Neighbourhood Watch Week 2022 our [HOW TO ORGANISE A STREET PARTY guide](#) will walk you through each step of the process.



Bringing neighbours together is what Neighbourhood Watch does best. One way to connect, celebrate and share with your community is by holding a street party!



In 2022 we will celebrate 40 years of neighbourliness, connection, and our large volunteer network.

GETTING STARTED 3-4 MONTHS IN ADVANCE

- Talk with your neighbours about celebrating our 40th anniversary in June 2022
- Invite your neighbours in writing by popping a 'Save the Date' through their doors
- Apply to your council for a road closure permit

PLANNING 1- 2 MONTHS IN ADVANCE

- Make sure that everyone is involved in the decision making
- Plan activities for all ages, not just the kids, such as a street quiz
- Arrange for neighbours to bring food, games, chairs, tables
- If you are playing music, make sure that it isn't too loud and caters for all tastes
- Arrange for road signage
- Arrange for bunting to decorate the street

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH WEEK 2022

30th MAY - 5th JUNE



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CELEBRATING 40 YEARS WITH 40 ACTIONS

#LetsStayConnected



Skills training for Neighbourhood Watch volunteers

We are always exploring ways that we can equip our volunteers with the skills needed to best perform in their role. That is why we are excited to offer our volunteers the opportunity to complete the following optional free courses.

COORDINATOR SKILLS TRAINING

This is a free bespoke course provided through our new NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH LEARNING PLATFORM - a training platform tailored to our volunteers.

The COORDINATOR SKILLS TRAINING certified course comprises of the following modules:

- An Introduction to GDPR
- Unconscious Bias
- Equality, Diversity and Inclusivity
- Collaborative Working
- Effective Meetings
- Asking the Right Questions
- Expressing Yourself
- Active Listening



After completing the course and downloading your personalised certificate, you can explore over 3,000 additional courses on the LEARNING PLATFORM.

BYSTANDER TRAINING

What does being an Active Bystander mean? Why is it important to know what to do when confronted by situations in our workplace, in the street, on public transport or anywhere? Often being that person who either deflects attention away from the victim of harassment or reports what is happening, can make a huge difference to the victim and their community.

What is our responsibility as a bystander? Is it to just ignore what is going on or is it to speak out? How do we do this safely? In this course, provided by L'Oreal and partners, you can explore the main reasons why we don't take action when we witness street harassment.

TACKLING HATE TOGETHER

Hate crime divides communities, creates a culture of fear and makes people's lives a misery. This course enables you to have an understanding of the problem and know some simple steps to tackle it.

The online course is made up of the bite-sized modules:

- Understanding Hate Incidents
- Tackling Hate Incidents
- Reporting Hate Incidents

On successfully passing the modules you can download a personal course completion certificate.

If you would like to complete the training, details on how to apply can be found under the [Personal Development section of our KNOWLEDGE HUB](#) - a bespoke platform for Neighbourhood Watch volunteers developed with funding from the National Lottery Community Fund.



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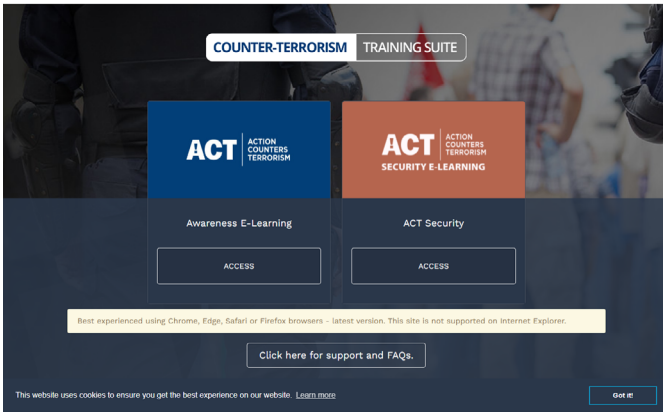
Tackle terrorism with e-learning and apps

With the enduring terrorist threat, it is now more important than ever that everyone plays their part in tackling terrorism.

Action Counters Terrorism (ACT) is encouraging communities across the country to help the police tackle terrorism and save lives by reporting suspicious behaviour and activity.

ACT Awareness E-learning

The ACT Awareness E-learning is a free resource to help you understand the role we can all play to prevent terrorism by protecting and preparing ourselves and others. It contains advice and interactive activities across six modules, including: responding to suspicious items or activity and what to do in the event of an attack.



The E-Learning can be accessed at <https://ct.highfieldlearning.com/> using the Neighbourhood Watch pin: 495635

ProtectUK App

The ProtectUK App is an easily accessible information platform, containing the potentially life-saving information needed to ensure that individuals and businesses are prepared should a terrorist attack ever happen. Search ProtectUK in the App Store to download.



ProtectUK

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If you feel that these resources would be useful in any community groups or businesses, please email EngagementUnit@met.police.uk. To find out more about how to help someone close to you who might be at risk of radicalisation, visit actearly.uk

If you have any information about suspicious activity or behaviour please report it. Use their secure online form at gov.uk/ACT. Alternatively, call on 0800 789 321. If you have any worries about reporting, [take a look at their FAQs](#).



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Neighbourhood Watch launches new Student Council with Co-op



On Wednesday 1st December, 10 students from across the country gathered at Co-op's HQ in Manchester for the inaugural Student Watch Council Meeting.

A team from Neighbourhood Watch, Co-op and student creative agency, Hype Collective, led a full-day workshop with the students, following all Covid safety guidelines. The students had applied to be a part of the Council after seeing the advert in our new student magazine, [The Lookout](#).

The engaging session enabled the students to get to know each other and the team; tell us their feelings around safety, crime and community on and off-campus; and feedback to us their ideas for how a student safety and community initiative (working title 'Student Watch') could run.

STUDENT WATCH



We discussed how the university society system might be involved, student safety ambassadors, crime and safety reporting processes and

resources currently available in student life, and their local communities. **Their biggest crime and safety concerns were around harassment and sexual assault, drink and needle spiking, and ensuring inclusion of minority communities in student life.**

We all went away with so much learning and positivity for the role students and young people can play in the development of Neighbourhood Watch and vice versa. The students involved were very keen to keep conversations and ideas flowing in between meetings.

Amy Mawby, Head of Fundraising at Neighbourhood Watch said *'We have a huge opportunity to improve safety and community connection on and off-campus in students' lives. We will keep you updated on the progress of this national project, ensuring that the students are the ones driving, developing and owning the work all the way through.'*

DID YOU KNOW.. We have a [dedicated section on our website](#) for young people who are concerned about crime, isolation, loneliness or who just want to make their communities a better place.

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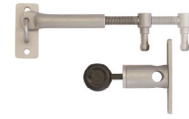
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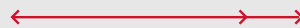
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