



# Be a Guardian

Looking out for you and your neighbours

**Unfortunately, there has been a burglary in this area within the last few days.**

Have you seen or heard anything unusual or suspicious recently?

This might include strangers in the area, vehicles parked unusually, people hanging around near property without any obvious reason for being there, or anything out of the ordinary that made you feel uncomfortable or suspicious.

**If you have any information that you think may help, please call Northamptonshire Police on 03000 111 222.**

Please tell the operator you are calling with information for 'Be a Guardian'.

Or call Crimestoppers anonymously on **0800 555 111.**



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🌐 [northants.police.uk](http://northants.police.uk)





While the chances of being burgled remain small, there are things you can do to improve your security and minimise the risk even further. Being a Guardian - looking out for your neighbours and reporting anything suspicious, is key.

### CHECK...LOCK

- Keep front and back doors locked at all times - even when you are at home or in the garden. 1 in 4 burglaries are through insecure doors or windows!

### CHECK...OUT OF SIGHT

- Keep keys out of sight and reach from cat flaps, letterboxes and downstairs doors and windows.

### CHECK...LIGHTS

- If you are out in the evening make sure you leave a light on and draw the curtains. If it's dark before you get home, use timer switches to turn on the lights.

For more information about how to keep your property secure, or to find out about how to join or set up a Neighbourhood Watch scheme, visit [northants.police.uk/guardian](http://northants.police.uk/guardian) and follow the links in the right hand menu, or call **03000 111 222** and ask to speak to your local Crime Prevention Officer.



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