



Crime prevention advice **BURGLARY**

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Dear Resident

You may be aware that there has recently been a burglary in your area. The purpose of this newsletter is not to frighten you but to raise your awareness and ask you to be extra vigilant.

There are certain measures you can take to reduce the likelihood of becoming a victim yourself, such as:

- Don't leave curtains/blinds open, and don't leave valuables on show.
- If you are going away, ask a neighbour or friend to check your house regularly.
- Buy timer switches for lamps and radios to give the impression that someone is home.
- Install an alarm system and ensure the alarm box is clearly visible.
- Don't leave keys in doors – remove them and keep them close at hand but out of sight where you can easily find them in an emergency.
- Don't leave your house unattended with windows open and unlocked – even for just a minute.
- If you are in the garden or upstairs, make sure your downstairs doors and windows are closed.
- Never leave a key under a doormat or on a string through the letterbox.

Report suspicious activity to the police on **101** or anonymously via the Crimestoppers charity on **0800 555 111**.

For further advice please contact your local Safer Neighbourhoods team using the details below or visit www.hampshire.police.uk and type in your postcode to find your local policing pages.

Log your property for free at www.hampshire.police.uk/immobilise

Call Hampshire Constabulary on **101**
In an emergency always call **999**
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