

Kilve Neighbourhood Watch

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) is about you and your neighbours, coming together to have a say in the issues that matter to you in your community.

The scheme is designed to be a non-obtrusive way of ensuring that we not only take great care with our own properties and possessions but where possible to keep a 'look out' for our neighbours and friends.

It does not cost anything to become a member of the scheme but, as you will probably be aware, being a member of a registered Neighbourhood Watch Scheme can entitle members to at least a 10% reduction in their insurance premiums.

Benefits of Neighbourhood Watch

There are clear benefits to joining a neighbourhood watch scheme for you and your local community:

- It shows that members of a community are looking out for each other.
- Keeps you up to date with what's going on in your area.
- Working closely with the police, helps to prevent and tackle crime.
- You could save money on your home insurance.

Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinators are kept informed of all crime related incidents via email. To enable me to advise you of those that would affect us here in Kilve please include your email address, if you have one. Be assured that as an IT professional specialising in risk control all personal information will be securely stored and only relevant emails will be circulated. General, non-sensitive updates and advice will be available on the Kilve Village website which can be found at [www.kilvevillage .co.uk](http://www.kilvevillage.co.uk)

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Top tips to beat the burglars (Police advice)

Take some simple steps to minimise the risk of burglaries:

- Don't advertise any new purchases or expensive electrical items by leaving packaging outside your house. Take it to the tip.
- Leave lights on a timer and the radio/TV on when you are out, and shut the curtains after dark.
- Always make sure doors, windows and side gates are locked when you leave the house.
- Fit PIR or "dusk 'til dawn" lights outside and around your property.

Please protect your pedals

We have had several thefts of bicycles from sheds and outbuildings recently. Everyone can take some fairly simple precautions to minimise the risk of theft to your bike and other items stored in sheds:

- Lock doors and windows. Fit a window grille or frosting to stop a thief seeing into your shed or garage.
- A tough pad bar (also called hasp and staple) fitted with a strong padlock and secured with coach bolts is the most effective way of securing a shed door.
- Prickly or thorny plants beneath windows can make a forced entry more difficult.
- Register bikes on sites such as www.bikeregister.com or make a note of the frame number and take a photo.
- Invest in a heavy duty lock, the best you can afford and a suitable style for your bike

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