

Home Security



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HOME SECURITY is when we keep our home safe.
This can mean we need to:



Close and lock doors and windows



Close and lock gate and garage



Not have expensive items easily visible from the windows



Don't leave signs that you are not home
(such as milk or post on doorstep)



Leave some lights on

What other things can you do to keep your home safer?



Fit British Standard locks
(BS 3621)



Fit a burglar alarm



Fit a smoke and CO (carbon
monoxide) alarm



Put a light on a timer or a sensor



Take photos of valuable or much
loved items



Mark up important items with a
special marker pen

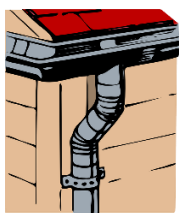


Ask unknown people at the door
to show an identity card

Other things we need to think about:



Where you park vehicles



Access using low roofs and drain pipes



Access using side gates or paths



Access using low fences or hedges



Being insured



Other people having keys
(especially rented homes or
shared access flats)

Who can you report security concerns to?



Police



Local Neighbourhood Watch



Neighbours



Council



A support agency such as Crimestoppers or Victim Support



Contact details

Police SNT (Safer Neighbourhood Team)	Ask your local PCSOs for a crime prevention home security review
Police	999 (Emergency) 101 (Non-emergency) or visit your local Police Station
Council Community Safety Team	01827 715 341 (North Warks) 01926 456 021 (South Warks)
Crimestoppers	0800 555 111
Victim Support	Warwickshire : 01926 682 693 West Mercia : 01905 726 896