

Community Safety – what is it?

Community safety means preventing reducing or containing the social environmental and intimidatory factors, which affect people's right to live without fear of crime and impact upon their quality of life.

It includes preventative measures that contribute to crime reduction and tackle anti- social behaviour.

Community safety is about delivering **local** solutions to **local** problems that have been identified by **local** people.

What are Community Wardens?

Community wardens provide a visible presence in residential and public areas , with the aim of reducing crime, fear of crime ; deterring anti – social behaviour ; fostering social inclusion and caring for the environment . The role of the warden is tailored to suit local needs.

What do Community Wardens do?

- Visits to neighbourhood to improve public confidence , safety and well being
- Respond to anti-social behaviour and neighbour disputes
- Work with community groups , agencies and individuals to empower local people to address local issues
- Liaise with housing and environmental services with regards to repairs , abandoned vehicles , flytipping etc
- Support older people , vulnerable residents and victims of crime
- Inspire the care and appearance of communal areas by the tenants and residents
- Help to keep empty properties safe and secure
- Act as a point of contact between tenants, residents and the local authority and promote a caring, helpful unbiased attitude towards all members of the community.

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