



HARROGATE & DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION

Helping to protect over 10,000 homes

CLOCKS BACK, BURGLARS FORWARD

This weekend sees the clocks going back which means that darkness comes that much earlier. It also means that there could well be an increase in household burglaries and other crimes over the next few months. This is not an unsubstantiated statement but one based on crime figures from previous years.

What to Do

The more steps you take to protect your home and property, the less chance you have of becoming a victim of crime. This is a good time to review your security. Go round your property, including outbuildings and imagine you are a burglar. How would **you** break in? If you can think of a way in so can a burglar.

Now is the time to close any gaps in your security.

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Do you suffer from the effects of anti-social behaviour such as verbal abuse, intimidation and harassment, teenagers' behaviour? It is always difficult to deal with these problems. If you confront the perpetrator you could make the whole thing worse. One of the answers could be ARCH Mediation. This is an organisation that can intercede in any disputes. All their counsellors are trained to deal with most confrontational situations. As an individual or a group, you could contact them on 01423 868782 to discuss your problem. They cannot always solve the problem but it is worth giving it a try. One phone call could make a difference.

TELEPHONE PREFERENCE SCHEME

This allows you to register your home phone number not to receive unsolicited sales and marketing calls.

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Email: tps@dma.org.uk
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