

## HALSTEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



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### SAFER STREETS CAMPAIGN 2024



Essex Police PC James Draper and Acting Sgt Courtney Bailey, with Sarah Greatorex Halstead Town Council Clerk and Clive Stewart Chairman Braintree District Neighbourhood Watch and also Chairman Essex County Neighbourhood Watch Association ready to work together in 2024 to raise the profile of Neighbourhood Watch in Halstead with the Safer Streets Campaign supported by Braintree District Council.

The Council, in partnership with the Office of the Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner for Essex, has successfully secured £300,223 of funding under the Government's Safer Streets Fund Round Five for investment in specified areas of Halstead.

A total of £150,171 has been match funded by our partners which include Halstead Town Council (HTC), Essex Police, Centre for Action on Rape and Abuse (CARA), Fusion Lifestyle, Neighbourhood Watch (NW), Essex Youth Service (EYS) - Essex County Council and Eastlight Community Homes.

This Safer Streets funding will enable the implementation of an approved delivery plan which has a focus on reducing anti-social behaviour, neighbourhood crime and Violence against Women and Girls.

### WHAT IS NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ALL ABOUT?

We distribute information every week by email from reliable sources who are our partners ie: Essex Police, The Police Fire & Crime Commissioner's Office, Essex Fire & Rescue Service, Crimestoppers and Victim Support.

We use information from Essex Police Facebook and Twitter.

**We do recognize that not everyone has access to a computer or a need for the internet so we, as often as possible, distribute information to anyone who is interested in a format that hopefully is acceptable.**

Please look at Essex County Neighbourhood Watch Association's website [www.essexnwa.co.uk](http://www.essexnwa.co.uk) click on the main menu and "Taking Part" scroll down and there is a video for those who are hard of hearing saying that Neighbourhood Watch is available to everyone!

You can help reduce crime with information from Neighbourhood Watch and be more effective in protecting your personal property and helping those who may feel vulnerable (whatever their age) to do the same.

So if you are interested please contact Clive Stewart Chairman Braintree District Neighbourhood Watch Telephone 0750 8057636 or email [braintreenwsg@btinternet.com](mailto:braintreenwsg@btinternet.com).

### NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH STREET SIGNS



These signs are available for local Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators to show there is a local Group where you live.

Chief Constable of Essex Mr. B.J Harrington believes that the more Neighbourhood Watch signs are seen the more it helps to reduce the opportunity of crime..

So if you would like to be a Co-ordinator or be part of a local Neighbourhood Watch Group that would like to have a street sign please contact me.

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### TOGETHER IN HALSTEAD WE CAN REDUCE THE OPPORTUNITY OF CRIME AND MAKE OUR SOCIETY SAFER BY BEING INVOLVED WITH NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

As you will agree Halstead is a great place to live and is part of Braintree District which has the lowest crime levels in Essex.

To keep it that way there are active Neighbourhood Watch schemes covering most of the District. You may like to know that Braintree District Neighbourhood Watch Steering Group is affiliated to Essex County Neighbourhood Watch Association which is a registered charity number 1168988 and has more than 130,000 members in Essex.

*Neighbourhood Watch is all about local people working together to create safe and friendly places to live, so that crime is less likely to happen.*

The funding we have from the Safety Streets Campaign will provide for window stickers, wheelie bin stickers, Nominated Neighbour Cards ( *these prevent anyone who may feel vulnerable, whatever their age, to open doors to visitors they do not expect*), No Cold Caller stickers, Promotional pens, Members Guides, Members badges, Contactless card protector wallets, personal alarms, also TV Simulators and Defender Signal Blockers (see below photo) , purse bells and chains, contactless card protector wallets and much more .



Also there are six monthly newsletters by email and hard copy in addition to a weekly Braintree District Neighbourhood Watch newsletter (by email only) which is a summary of the Essex Police weekly crime report and crime prevention advice too from Essex Police.

Neighbourhood Watch works locally with our Neighbourhood Policing teams to ensure that we receive information which helps to reduce crime.

We always keep everyone's contact details confidential as any information is sent out bcc and we never use the Neighbourhood Watch database to promote any business as we only publish crime reports from Essex Police and crime prevention information as covered under our Code of Ethics and the Data Protection Act.

As said on page one we only distribute information from reliable sources and never send out details of any suspicious activities unless it is confirmed by Essex Police as a crime incident.

*It is also important to note that Neighbourhood Watch is FREE*

*If you want to be more involved as a local Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator it is really all about you giving what time you have in your busy lives.*

We are also keen to offer any Neighbourhood Watch information to those who may feel vulnerable whatever their age and may have difficulties in communications, ie the hard of hearing, visually impaired or deaf/blind so please have someone contact us.

You may like to know that I have been part of Neighbourhood Watch for over 35 years including being employed by Essex Police for almost six years.

So it is hoped that I can answer any questions you may have on Neighbourhood Watch.

If you are interested in receiving information and being a part of Neighbourhood Watch where you live in Halstead I very much look forward to hearing from you.

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