

Burglary - the facts!

Did you know?

- *60% of burglaries take place between the hours of 8am to 8 pm!*
- *Thieves will make use of implements found outside your home or in unlocked garden sheds!*
- *The average burglar can break into your home in less than 3 minutes!*
- *Many burglaries occur when persons leave their home for a short period of time!*

What can you do?

- *Fit quality security locks to all doors and windows and use them.*
- *Install a certified intruder alarm and use it.*
- *Invest in a securely fitted safe for your valuables.*
- *Store and lock any external household items properly.*
- *Be a good neighbour - report suspicious behaviour.*

Play your part in Preventing Crime.

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Theft - the facts!

Did you know?

- *Over half of all crimes reported are thefts!*
- *One in seven reported thefts are from vehicles!*
- *Thieves have a ready market for mobile phones, laptops, GPS Sat Navs and MP3 players!*
- *The only thing standing between a thief and property visible in a parked car is window glass!*
- *Thieves look out for people who are careless with their property in public places!*

What can you do?

- *Never leave personal documents or valuable items visible in your car.*
- *Always park in a well-lit and supervised area.*
- *Don't leave your handbag, wallet or coat to one side in a public place e.g. a shopping trolley or a seat in a pub.*
- *Be aware of your surroundings particularly at ATMs and in queues.*

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