

JOIN THE MAPG NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME AND HELP PROTECT THE AREA

MAPG is setting up a Neighbourhood Watch scheme to try and enhance the safety of people and property living in the Milford Area. The scheme will be under the auspices of the national Neighbourhood Watch.

This is not about establishing a vigilante group and will not require direct action by members. The group will be a conduit for the passage of information amongst members from each other and from national and local authorities. It will not be the primary contact for reporting crime or matters of concern but a secondary system to ensure that the neighbourhood is aware of problems.

Crime and matters of concern should be reported as follows:

- Dial 999 if a crime is in progress or has just occurred.
- Dial 101 to report suspicious activity or an historic crime. The Wiltshire Police Website can also be used to report these activities. (<https://www.wiltshire.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/>)
- HGVs over 7.5t using Milford Mill Road on the Wiltshire Police Website. (<https://www.wiltshire.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/rs/road-safety/making-a-road-traffic-incident-report/>) You should upload photographs clearly showing the vehicle number plate.

Members of the scheme will also be given a Neighbourhood Watch sticker to place in a window in a highly visible place. Hopefully a rash of stickers across the area, demonstrating that the neighbourhood is alert and reporting suspicious activity, will then act as a deterrent to potential criminals.

To join please go to the following website: <https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/support-our-work/find-my-local-scheme> and enter your postcode. Then click on Milford Area Preservation Group. Then click Join followed by Sign up here.

You will then be asked what alert messages you wish to be sent.

Once the coordinator has been informed of your registration, they will arrange for you to receive your sticker to place in your window or door to show you are a member of the scheme. They will also sign you up for the Whatsapp group which will be used to spread information concerning incidents or matters of concern.

Please join and help keep Milford safe.