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Dial a Ride Help Line - 01522 782070

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I dare say, many of you have never come into contact with your Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator. This could be that you do not have one. We are a bit short of Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators in the village.

If you want to get involved, you can either contact Judith Johnson, who is the Secretary for the Sleaford N.W. on 01526 861293 or alternatively contact Grantham Police on 01476 562501. They will be able to help you and ensure you are supplied with leaflets and regular update's on crime in the area.

There will also be a Spring meeting of the Sleaford N.W. on 11th April at NKDC buildings, Eastgate. The meeting starts at 7pm in the Civic Suite.

Now that we are looking forward to the Summer. Many of you will be thinking about gardening and holidays. Here are a few tips that may assist you in the fight against crime.

1. Do not leave windows, or doors unlocked, whilst you are busy enjoying your garden.
2. Do not leave your garage door open if it is close to the road, as criminals driving past can see its contents and return when you are not there.

3. Make sure your garden shed is secure. A number of break-in's occur due to the woodscrews on hinges being removed. I suggest you invest in some dome headed bolts and nuts, and mark all the items with a uv-pen using your post code and house number as a reference.

4. Leave lights on and a radio, when you are out, and think about a timer switch if you are going to be away for any length of time.

5. If you do intend going away, make sure you cancel any regular deliveries, like milk or newspapers. You could also consider having a neighbor pop round to pick up your mail. These are all clear signs that you are away to any prospective burglar. You could also think of using the Royal Mail 'Keepsake' service.

6. Double check the security of the house prior to going away, especially upstairs. Ensure that any ladders are safely under lock and key.

### **Bogus Callers.**

If you have a caller and are uncertain as to their Identity, use your security chain prior to opening the door. If the caller is a service engineer, check their I.D. If you are still unsure, close the door and telephone the company they say they are from to confirm their I.D. If they are genuine they will have no problem with waiting.

Last year with the help of the N.W., the Notts police caught a gang of bogus callers that were impersonating police officers. Their I.D. gave them away as the photos showed them with hats on. The police never photo their employees with a hat on.

If there are any other Coordinators in the village, will you please make yourself known to the editor on 01529 488508 or jonathanhoare@mac.com, so that any one needing to get in touch with their local representative can do so via the paper. If you have any issues that you need to raise please also get in touch with him and he will publish your comments in the next edition of the Rauceby Parish News .

### **Here are some handy phone numbers to keep close to your telephone.**

ANGLIAN WATER		0800 145 145
BRITISH GAS	Engineers	08459 500 400
	Meter reading	0800 393 499
EMEB		0800 096 3080
POWERGEN		0800 015 2029
NKDC		01529 414 155
SLEAFORD SOCIAL SERVICES		01529 414 144
BENEFITS AGENCY		01476 513 100
POLICE		999
CENTRAL NETWORKS		0800 056 8090
(This number is to find out the duration of a power cut)		

Just one last thing. Would people be on the look out for any one fly tipping on Thorpe Drove in South Rauceby, as the culprits need to be caught and this sort of thing must be brought to a stop.

### **Village Services**

**Somerfield, and Iceland** both offer free delivery of your shopping provided your spend is more than £25.00

**Tesco** have an online ordering service at [www.tesco.com](http://www.tesco.com) or telephone 08457 225533.

**Dairy Farms of Britain** can deliver milk to your door. For further information call 01522 520851.

Mr Barnes the **Chimney Sweep** can be reached on 01529 306391.

**Gutteridge Mobile Greengrocers** calls to the village every Thursday morning.

**The Mobile Library** visits the village at the following times and locations;

**Unfortunately the Mobile Library service is in the process of rearranging the visiting times. Even after numerous phone calls the editor has not been able to tie them down to dates or times. These will be posted around the various notice boards in the village when they become available. The Rauceby Parish News wishes to apologize for the inconvenience.**