



Detective Inspector John Minary is the Force's Crime Reduction Officer and has this advice:



BURGLARY/HOME SECURITY:

- Keep your doors and windows locked when you go out.
- Keep your car keys out of sight.
- Don't leave cash and valuables on display in your home. Postcode valuables using a UV pen.
- Light up your house during the hours of darkness by using low energy lights.
- Fit timers to switch internal lights and radios on, to give the impression someone is in.
- If you share a door with other tenants, take responsibility and make sure it's locked at all times.
- Don't leave spare keys outside or in a garage or a shed.

PERSONAL SAFETY:

- Make sure your mobile is with you all the time, and don't have it on display
- Remain alert and avoid walking alone after dark
- Stay on main well lit streets
- Get a personal attack alarm and carry it in your hand
- Carry your bag close to you with the fastening next to your body, but if someone tries to get it, let it go
- Don't be tempted to hitch a ride or accept a lift from someone you don't know

VEHICLE CRIME:

- If you have a garage use it
- Remove all valuables from your vehicle. Don't leave anything on display.
- Always remove the fascia of the in CD/radio, and take it with you. Don't hide it in the vehicle.
- Fit a Thatcham approved alarm and a Secured by Design anti-theft device to your vehicle.
- When in the city centre, use a car park that has been given the Secure Car Park Certificate. Avoid parking on back streets and unlit roads.

REMEMBER - Always report suspicious incidents to the police on 0845 6060606.

USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

West Yorkshire Police - 999 for emergency incidents, or 0845 6060606 for non-emergencies

Crimestoppers - 0800 555 111

Advice about racial incidents - 0800 138 1625

Advice about homophobic incidents - 0800 138 1628

Victim Support - 01274 390360

Women's Aid - 08457 7023462

Domestic Violence Victim Support line - 0845 3030900

Leeds Racial Harassment Project - 0113 2935100

Surviving Trauma After Rape (STAR) Project - 01924 298954

Samaritans - 0113 2456789

Frank - 0800 77 66 00