

**ELLERKER
NEIGHBOURHOOD
WATCH
April 2019**

Theft

Sadly, we have a theft to report this quarter. An anvil was stolen from outside a house in the village. It was on clear view in the porch of a house and whilst one would have thought that it was too heavy to be stolen a strong thief managed to steal it. If you see such an item being advertised on an internet auction site please inform your area coordinator.

Google Street View

The following warning concerning Street View has been released. "The rise of [Google's](#) Street View tool has left homes across Britain vulnerable to burglars," police leaders have warned. Householders should consider asking the internet giant to blur out images of their properties to prevent them being targeted, officers said.

It comes as the head of Neighbourhood Watch warned that Street View allows criminals to scout for "easy pickings".

Telephone Scam

There is a prolific scam going on at the moment where you receive a call supposedly from BT or your telephone service provider informing you that unless you take certain action your internet service is going to be cut off. **Do not respond. Put the phone down straightaway. It is a scam.**

Tour de Yorkshire

You are reminded that if you live on the route of the Tour de Yorkshire you must not leave your vehicle parked on the route on the afternoon of Thursday May 2nd when the cyclists are due to come through the village. Parking is free on the Village Green.

York Minster

If you live in the Parish you are entitled to free access to York Minster. As I am also the secretary of the Parochial Church Council I can arrange for you to borrow a free pass or passes to the Minster on request.

Safe & Sound Grants

For details please see overleaf.

Your co-ordinators are

John Timperley 425288

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If you are unable to reach your Co-ordinator please contact Janet Green on 423601.

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What is a Safe & Sound Grant?

The grant is to help minimise the fear of crime by providing additional home security measures to enable residents to feel safer in their home.

Who is eligible for help?

To qualify for assistance applicants must be:

- Aged over 60 or disabled;
- A homeowner or private sector tenant / Housing Association tenant.

Applicants must not have combined household capital/savings of more than £23,250. This excludes the property you live in, fixtures and fittings within the property and any vehicles you own.

Further grants will not be made to anyone receiving support from the Safe and Sound grant scheme in the last two years

How can you help me?

We can arrange for a qualified contractor to carry out a free home security assessment and fit home security equipment.

What additional home security measures are available to me?

Measures include, but are not limited to*:

- Additional locks for doors and windows
- Door Chains
- Door viewers
- Window alarms

*some types of locks and security measures can only be fitted depending on the type of existing windows and doors.

How do I apply?

You can request an application form by sending an email to safe.communities@eastriding.gcsx.gov.uk or by calling 01482 396380.