



Dear resident

The Home Office has granted the Safe Partnership £62,500 to make safe homes in the Torbay area. The moneys are part of £5m allocated to make 45,000 homes safer across 93 priority areas in the country.

Safe Partnership is a national charity that provides practical and immediate home security to victims of crimes and those in fear of crime, that compromise the their security of their homes. The charity achieves this by working with Local Authorities, Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships and Police to establish reactive and proactive home security and safety schemes locally.

They offer a full security audit and then provide appropriate security measures to suit the client's needs together with advice and training.

Although Torbay is not a high crime area, statistics show that houses with no security are ten times more likely to be burgled than those with simple security measures*. This is because the majority of burglaries that take place are opportunistic and the visible deterrent that is a home security system is enough to put off most potential perpetrators.

The grant will provide enough funds to make available FREE security upgrades for 500 homes across Torbay. There is no catch, it is on a first come first served basis. All the Safe Partnership staff carry a photo ID card, wear uniform and have a sign written vehicle so they can be clearly identifiable.

Safe Partnership not only provides physical measures to proactively deter crime but also provides signposting to relevant support services, raised awareness through Safe at Home packs and encourages neighbours to look out for each other and report suspicious activity in the area to Street Wardens, Neighbourhood Policing teams and Neighbourhood Watch coordinators.

The process is simple; if you would like to make safer YOUR home please call

0845 230 90 90 to make the necessary arrangements.

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