



# Conversation Starters

## Introducing the group

- Hi, how are you today? I don't know if you have seen the signs on the lampposts, but we have an active Neighbourhood Watch scheme on our road, and I wondered if you would be interested to learn more about how we work together.
- Hi, I'm xxx. I'm one of your neighbours and part of our local Neighbourhood Watch scheme covering this area. As well as helping each other keep safe, we also encourage neighbours to look out for and support one another. We would love it if you would consider joining our group. You can give as little or as much time to it as suits you.
- Hi, I don't know if you know, but we have a Neighbourhood Watch scheme for the residents on our road. The group hasn't been very active lately but we would love to kickstart it up again. I have membership flyers and join postcards which explain more about Neighbourhood Watch. Is it okay if I leave these with you / come in for a chat?
- Hi, my name is XXX, and I live at number x. I am the Coordinator of our local Neighbourhood Watch group. There has been a burglary/vehicle theft/harassment/on the road recently, and we are encouraging neighbours to let each other know if they notice any suspicious behaviour. We take note of this and then make our local police aware if needed. [follow through with] We would love it if you would consider joining our group. I have membership flyers and join postcards that explain more about Neighbourhood Watch. Is it okay if I leave these with you?

## Inviting a neighbour to join in an activity

- Hi, we are organising a litter pick for our road, and it would be a great way to meet more neighbours. Why don't you come along and join us?
- Hi, I don't know if you know about our [insert type of event e.g play street event] that we hold every [insert how often]. It's where we [explain activity]. We do this as part of our Neighbourhood Watch group, which brings us together. Would you like to join us?

## Inviting members to register their details on the national member system

- Hi XXX. How are you today? I know you are a member of our group, but I wanted to let you know the benefits of registering online as a member of Neighbourhood Watch. Registering is quick and easy. As a registered member, your data is held securely. You will receive crime prevention information from the national Neighbourhood Watch. You can choose to receive information from various agencies such as Action Fraud, plus you will receive the New Member Welcome Pack with more information about the Neighbourhood Watch charity and ideas on things we can do to help us all keep safe and improve our area.
- I know you are happy for me to hold your contact details; however, you may like to consider registering online as a member of our group. It's important because if something happened to me as your Coordinator, then our group could carry on with a new person stepping as a Coordinator as everyone's details are registered online. Registering online also enables you to receive crime prevention information from the national Neighbourhood Watch, and other organisations that you choose.