

What is Neighbourhood Watch?

When a group of neighbours form together with the express idea of caring for their community and the people who live in it, they are on their way to creating a Neighbourhood Watch scheme. I am the Watch Administrator for West Oxfordshire and I help to set up the schemes and assist in the liaison between the neighbours and local Police Officers. Neighbourhood Watch is free to join.

It is run by volunteers who agree to receive information, via a pre-recorded message system, from Witney Police Station. These co-ordinators, as they are called, then pass the relevant details on to their neighbours. Therefore keeping the community informed about incidents that may have happened or forewarn them of any potential problems, like distraction burglaries or bogus officials.

It is generally accepted that a co-ordinator and a deputy work together to inform approx. 20 households between them. By having groups of co-ordinators on an estate or area the message is soon distributed.

It is hoped that the passing of information is not a one way thing, that co-ordinators feel they can contact my office to discuss local issues that the Police might be able to assist with.

If you are interested in finding out more about Neighbourhood Watch please feel free to contact;

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Janet Mott, Watch Administrator.

Wychwood Players

**Next production will be a Supper Evening on Friday
5th and Saturday 6th October.**

**The Play will be 'California Suite' by Neil Simon and
tickets will be £10.00 to include the meal.**

**The venue is the New Beaconsfield Hall, Shipton under
Wychwood and the evening starts at 7.30 p.m.**

Tickets are available from Gill Drew on 01993 830398.