

**LEEDS TENANTS FEDERATION  
TARA PANEL ACTIONS AND TOPIC SUMMARY  
Friday 14th September 2018  
John Lewis Community Hub 4.30-6.00pm**

**Attendees**

Name	Representing	Initials
Andrea Purdy	Chair LTF and Queenswood TARA	AP
Patricia Jackson	Hunslet TARA	PJ
Wendi Carson	Treasurer LTF and Queenswood TARA	WC
Jackie Worthington	Secretary LTF and Atlanta Street TARA	JW
Dennis Moody	LTF Management Board Member	DM
Mick Dodds	St Augustines Court	MD
Stuart Walton	Broadleas Better Communities TARA	SW
Sue Clifford	Lakeland Court TARA	SC
Rose Hodgkinson	Rosedale - Belle Isle	RH
Peter Greenwood	Housing Manager – Tenant Involvement	PG
Tracey McGarry	Housing Assistant – Tenant Engagement	TM
Niccolo Sto Tomas	Crime Prevention Officer	NT

**Apologies**

Tony Hepworth	Atlanta Street TARA	TH
Jeff Gantschuck	Westfield TARA	JG
Alan Mann	Holt Park	AM
Sue Kerrigan	St Augustine's Court	SK
Sheila Horne	Whincover Grange Area Representative	SH
Corinne Brown	Churchill Gardens Area Representative	CB
Margaret Foster	Thorpe TARA	MF
Ann Maughan	Sandringham TARA	AM
Madeline Hunter	Button Hill TARA	MH

**Conflicts of interest** - None

**Actions and comments from previous meeting**

No reply from Montserrat Rey regarding the waste presentation delivered at June's TARA panel meeting. TM to telephone and request this is provided.	<b>TM</b>
10 <sup>th</sup> October, 2018 Homelessness forum @ St Georges Crypt	<b>AK/JW</b>
NT to send TM electronic versions of documents shared via email.	<b>NT/TM</b>
TM to share the handouts from Niccolo electronically to all TARAs – post to RH.	<b>TM</b>

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- Residential burglary advice - <https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/residential-burglary/>
- Commercial burglary - <https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/advice/business-security/business-security/commercial-burglary>

## **The 10 Principles of Crime Prevention**

These principles can assist you in reducing the opportunity for crime to occur at your home, your place of work or your business. They can be considered for development and implementation by individuals, communities, partners or businesses and act as a check-list to see what steps you may be able to take for your own particular circumstances. It's not a case of having to use all of the 10 Principles at once, you may find using just one of them could help you or it may be a combination of several of them.

When you are looking at using the principles of crime prevention to improve security around your home or business, the best way to approach it is to look at your home or premises as if you were the offender. Identify the weak spots, vulnerable areas and concealment points and prioritise the areas for improvement. Contact our Crime Prevention Officers before you undertake any improvements and they will work with you to ensure that you are taking the best approach possible for your respective circumstances.

### **Target Hardening**

- Making your property harder for an offender to access.
- Upgrading the locks on your doors, windows, sheds and outbuildings
- Fitting sash jammers to vulnerable doors and windows
- Using secure passwords to prevent criminals hacking your online accounts

### **Target Removal**

- Ensuring that a potential target is out of view.
- Not leaving items on view through your windows – i.e. laptops, phones, keys, bags
- Putting your vehicle in the garage if you have one and not leaving valuables on display
- Being cautious about what you post online as it may be used to identify or locate you offline

### **Reducing the Means**

- Removing items that may help commit an offence.
- Not leaving tools and ladders in the garden and clearing up any rubble/bricks
- Keeping wheelie bins out of reach, as they may be a climbing aid or help transport items
- Making sure that bricks and rubble are cleared up

### **Reducing the Payoff**

- Reducing the profit the criminal can make from the offence.
- Security marking your property
- Marking your property in such a way that others will not want to buy from the thief
- Not buying property you believe or suspect to be stolen

### **Access Control**

- Looking at measures that will control access to a location, a person or object.
- Locking your doors and windows to both your house and your vehicle
- Ensuring that fencing, hedges, walls and other boundary treatments are in a good state of repair
- Putting a security system in place at a commercial site (entry barriers, security guards, ID cards)

## **Surveillance**

- Improving surveillance around homes, businesses or public places to deter criminals.
- Removing high hedges / fences front of your home that allows an offender to work unseen
- Consider adding CCTV to a commercial site or public place
- Establishing a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme in your street

## **Environmental Change**

- Ensuring your property and wider community looks cared for.
- Ensuring that graffiti and domestic/commercial waste is cleared up
- Reporting issues with fly-tipping or broken street lights to the relevant authority
- Working with the police and local authority to close a footpath

## **Rule Setting**

- Changing our habits by setting rules and positioning signage in appropriate locations.
- Introducing a rule that the last person entering / leaving should lock the door and remove keys
- Informing visitors to commercial sites that they must report to reception on arrival
- Informing users that a particular site is closed between certain times and should not be accessed

## **Increase the Chances of Being Caught**

- Increasing the likelihood that an offender will be caught to prevent crime occurring.
- Making use of dusk to dawn security lighting is in place and in working order
- Using good quality CCTV and/or alarm systems, especially on commercial sites
- Upgrading security to delay an offender and need to spend more time to gain access

## **Deflecting Offenders**

- Deterring an offender or deflecting their intention.
- Using timer switches to make our homes look occupied if vacant after the hours of darkness
- Running youth diversionary schemes with partner agencies
- Referring offenders to drug rehabilitation programmes

## **Resources and Useful Links**

<https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/advice/home-security/home-security>

[https://www.police.uk/west-yorkshire/LDT\\_CITY/crime/stats/](https://www.police.uk/west-yorkshire/LDT_CITY/crime/stats/)

<http://www.securedbydesign.com/>

Recommended camera and CCTV equipment - <https://foscam.uk.com/>

<https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/advice/10-principles-crime-prevention/10-principles-crime-prevention/10-principles-crime-prevention>

## **Link to posters and handouts**

<https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/advice/our-services/crime-prevention-advice-leaflets/crime-prevention-advice-leaflets>

