



Nottinghamshire Neighbourhood Watch
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What is Neighbourhood Watch?



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1964
Born in the USA



The first Neighbourhood Watch schemes were set up in New York as a community response to the murder of Kitty Genovese.



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1982
First UK Watch Scheme



The first scheme - then known as Home Watch - was set up in the UK in Mollington, Cheshire.



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2007 National Body Set Up



Neighbourhood Watch representatives formed local, county and regional groups and in 2007 with the support of the police and the Home Office set up the first national umbrella organisation for the movement.



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What is NottsWatch?



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**Nottinghamshire Neighbourhood Watch
(NottsWatch) represents the interests of
Neighbourhood Watch (NW) members,
schemes and associations throughout the
City of Nottingham and County of
Nottinghamshire.**



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Its objectives are to promote, develop and strengthen the Neighbourhood Watch movement throughout Nottinghamshire, to help prevent and reduce crime, anti-social behaviour and the fear of them, through self-help and collaboration with partners.



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**NottsWatch is a registered charity
(No. 1156310) run by an Executive
Committee of Trustees.**



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In addition, a Management Team, which includes respective Police Divisions, Councils, local NW associations and other partners from charities and agencies which share NW objectives.



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NottsWatch has formal links with the Neighbourhood and Home Watch Network (NHWN), also called Ourwatch, and the East Midlands Forum (EMF) for County NW Associations.



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NottsWatch also has an Advisory Committee, chaired by the Chairman of NottsWatch, comprising senior officers from the Nottinghamshire Police Force, representatives of the City and County Councils and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.



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WHY JOIN A NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME?

Neighbourhood Watch is all about people getting together, with their neighbours, to take action to cut crime and protect vulnerable members of the group.



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WHO RUNS NHW SCHEMES?

Neighbourhood Watch schemes are community initiatives owned and run by their members.

They work by developing close liaison between neighbourhood households and the local police.

It is an active partnership.



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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH CAN:

- **Reduce crime and the opportunities for crime.**
- **Help and reassure those who live in the area.**
- **Encourage neighbourliness and closer communities.**
- **Protect those in our community who may be vulnerable.**



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HOW CAN I KEEP UPDATED?

Register for 'ALERTS'
on the NottsWatch web site.

You may choose from whom you want to
receive 'alerts':
Police; Trading Standards; etc.



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HOW CAN I KEEP UPDATED?

Residents of Nottinghamshire can contribute to making their community safer using their own home PCs / tablets / smart phones on a web based crime alert system.



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HOW CAN I KEEP UPDATED?

This website brings the traditional Neighbourhood Watch Scheme into the 21st century, by allowing community members to contribute without having to attend meetings or patrol streets.

It's simple to use, highly secure and free!



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**IF THERE ISN'T A LOCAL
SCHEME - SET ONE UP**

Contact:

Your NottsWatch representative via
admin@nottswatch.co.uk

**We will contact your local member
of the Management Team who will
help you to set up a scheme.**



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**DO YOU WANT TO START IN A
SMALL WAY?**

**If you are the first person to register in
your area and you don't want to
establish a large scheme covering a
whole neighbourhood,**



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DO YOU WANT TO START IN A SMALL WAY?

simply register your road and encourage
your neighbours to register to receive
alerts and join your scheme.

In turn, they can encourage their
neighbours



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SET UP A LOCAL SCHEME

Set up on www.nottswatch.co.uk

Specify roads covered, give contact details and the aims of your scheme.

(NW can map your scheme if you prefer.)



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SET UP A LOCAL SCHEME

- Lead coordinators can send messages to all members who have registered.
- All coordinators are covered by indemnity insurance up to £5 million.



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ORGANISE A NEIGHBOURHOOD MEETING

- Depending on the size of your area, you will likely need support.
- Ideally, there should be a coordinator looking after a small group of houses, within your community.



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- Your coordinators will need to be informed so internet access is desirable, but not essential.



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- Encourage all members to register for alerts.
- Obtain contact details and store securely.
- Bcc your members, in messages, or send via website, for privacy.



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KEEP INFORMED

- **Attend local Safer Neighbourhood Committee Meetings or Police Priority Setting meetings**

These may be the same meeting.

(www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/neighbourhoods - your area - all meetings)

- **Keep in touch with your beat officers and neighbours.**