



BECOME A BIN BUDDY !!

Dear Watch Member,

Wheelie bins, we either love them or hate them !

Burglars love them because they provide a pretty good idea if you are at home on 'bin'day'. If your wheelie bin is still out long after the refuse collection has been and gone, then the chances are, you are out.

Nobody has invented the self-return wheelie bin yet so we need to rely on the human factor. If your household goes to work and school like most and the home is empty during the day, you cannot return your wheelie bin to where it normally lives unless your bin team empty it before you leave home.

Elderly, infirm and vulnerable neighbours may not be able to return their bins and this can attract burglars attention too- so what is the solution ?

Bin Buddies ! No, it isn't a gadget, just an initiative that has been thought up to assist in our battle against the burglar.

A 'Bin Buddy' is a neighbour who you can partner with. For instance you may be able to put out their bin as well as yours before the bin collection and they may be able to return it during the day when you are unable.

If you could also volunteer to help a neighbour with special needs or disability, young or old, who cannot return their bins, it will help reduce crime and the fear of crime by delivering a little peace of mind.

Neighbourhood Watch is all about watching out for your neighbours.

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