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The Hughenden Street Association vision

For community life in Hughenden Parish to become better connected, supportive/supported, stronger and friendlier so that all residents are involved in it to the level they desire. This means working to create safer and connected communities encouraging residents to identify the needs of their neighbours to help them engage in the community. The Association has a key role to play in helping develop links to existing facilities whilst also working to support community groups to reach out to as many residents as possible.

So much has been achieved by the Street Association with more still to do together. Take a look: <http://bit.ly/2Skst40>

Protect yourself from street robbery



It is a sad fact of life that there is a risk of being robbed in broad daylight as we go out and about. .

Some tips to help reduce the risk include:

- ✓ Looking confident. You are less likely to become a target especially if you move with purpose and try to be aware of your surroundings.
- ✓ Know where you are going. Seems obvious however if you are going somewhere unfamiliar or new a bit of simple planning is important. Keeping to busy, well-lit streets, walkways and paths which are more likely to be covered by CCTV can help.
- ✓ Taxi or minicab? Always take a licensed taxi or minicab ideally booked by phone or mobile phone app.
- ✓ Hide valuables. Again, seems obvious however using your mobile phone can put you at risk of having it snatched as you are busy chatting rather than paying attention to your surroundings. Don't leave your phone or any other valuables on the table of an outdoor café, pub or restaurant. Finally, keep any jewellery covered as you walk down the street.

Help others feel safe



We can help each other feel safe by taking some simple steps:

- ✓ Keep your distance. Particularly helpful at night as footsteps often sound louder!
- ✓ Don't stare. This can feel intimidating and unsettling. Focus on something else to show that you are not a threat. Look out of the window, message a friend, or read a book or newspaper.
- ✓ Cross the road. Hearing someone running up behind you can be unsettling especially in the evening. Call out to let the person ahead know that you are coming by or make sure that you leave plenty of space as you pass them.
- ✓ Keep your comments to yourself. You might think you are making a witty or flattering comment. DON'T!
- ✓ Keep your friends in line. This is particularly important for younger people where 'group thinking' can easily get out of hand. Your friend might think they are being funny or brave when in actual fact they are harassing someone. Calm the situation down and remember 'harassment' is an offence.
- ✓ Be an active bystander. If you notice that someone is uncomfortable with another person's behaviour, show your support by being an active bystander. It can be as simple as standing between a person and their harasser to block their line of sight. Ask if the person needs help, and back up anyone else who is intervening.

Community Safety Charter launched



In an earlier edition we announced the imminent launch of this important community safety initiative. Officially launched on 11th July 2022 the Charter seeks to encourage everyone – individuals, community groups, businesses and Neighbourhood Watch groups to #BETHECHANGE taking an active stance against crimes in public spaces, such as harassment, hate crime, and antisocial behaviour.

To find out more register [HERE](#) for the webinar taking place on 21st July at 5pm. OR take a look at the presentation [HERE](#).

HSA Pub Lunch at the Black Lion, Naphill

Here are the dates for the pub lunch for the rest of 2022. Contact Susan Bickerstaffe to reserve your seat:
Tel: 01494 565161 or 07880 519323
Email: sembickerstaffe54@gmail.com

The pub lunch is on the THIRD Wednesday each month at 12.30pm. Why not join the conversation from noon to catch up with friends and get to know new ones?

20th July; 17th August; 21st September; 19th October, 16th November and 21st December.

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