

About the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership

The Tonbridge & Malling Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) comprises of a group of organisations who work together to reduce crime and disorder within the borough of Tonbridge & Malling.

These organisations include:

- Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council
- Kent Police
- Kent County Council
- Kent Fire & Rescue Service
- The Probation Service
- Russet Homes
- South West Kent Primary Care Trust
- Maidstone Weald Primary Care Trust
- Kent Drug & Alcohol Action Team
- Kent Police Authority
- Other voluntary groups

Their aim is to make Tonbridge & Malling "a safe community free from the fear of crime".

Useful contact details

Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council
Crime Reduction Unit 01732 876132

Police – in an emergency 999
Maidstone & Malling Police 01622 690690
(*non emergency - ask to speak to Maidstone police station*)

West Kent Police 01892 502025
(*non emergency*)

Neighbourhood Watch
Maidstone & Malling 01622 608191
West Kent 01892 502159

Trading Standards
Consumer Advice 08454 040506

Crimestoppers 0800 555 111
(*to report a crime anonymously*)

For more information about the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership look at www.tmcimereduction.org.uk



KEEP CHRISTMAS CRIME FREE

Crime Prevention tips for a happy and safe Christmas



STAMPING OUT CRIME

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The Christmas and New Year holiday period can be a time for family and friends to get together and celebrate the season. Unfortunately opportunistic thieves also operate at this time of year.

Crime levels in Tonbridge & Malling are low and there is no need to be unduly worried about being a victim of a crime. However, there are a few simple measures that can deter and prevent crime and help you keep the season jolly.

When shopping

- When shopping for Christmas presents remember to keep them locked away in the boot of your car - if they can be seen, they could be stolen.
- Always close car windows, engage steering locks and lock all doors.
- Park in a well lit area or in an attended car park.
- Make sure that your purse is secure. Never keep your chequebook and card together and keep your pin number confidential.

At home

- Don't leave presents under the Christmas tree in view of the window. Hide them somewhere safe until you need them (which makes it more of a surprise too!)
- Mark expensive presents, such as electronic equipment with your postcode by engraving or using a UV pen.
- Dispose of packing carefully as empty boxes left outside can advertise that you have new goods inside.



"Have a happy and crime free Christmas holiday..."

If you are away

- If you are going away over the festive period remember to tell your neighbours that you will be away and ask them to keep an eye on the house. Cancel milk and papers.
- Buy some timers for your lights, radio and TV so it looks as if you are at home. These can be picked up cheaply from any DIY store.
- Remember to securely lock all doors and windows.

If you are out on the town

- Don't leave bags over the back of your chair and keep wallets and purses close to your body.
- Make prior arrangements as to how you will get home. Make sure someone knows where you are going and what time you will be back.
- Don't get into an unlicensed taxi.
- Don't drink too much – you could become a target for thieves.