



How to become a member and join your local group

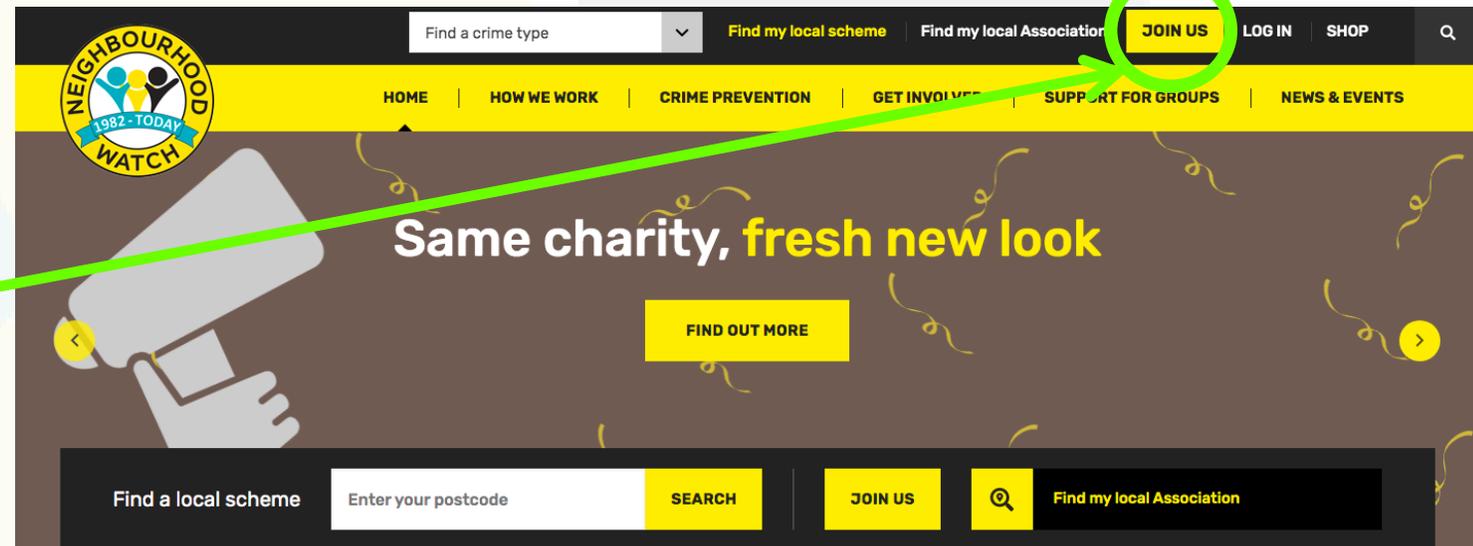
Step 1



Visit our website:
ourwatch.org.uk

Click on **JOIN US**

See the top right hand corner



Step 2



Scroll down

Click on:
SIGN UP HERE

Find a crime type Find my local scheme Find my local Association **JOIN US** LOG IN SHOP

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Be part of the biggest crime prevention voluntary movement in the UK

Anyone can become a member of Neighbourhood Watch. All we ask is that you are committed to working alongside your neighbours to help make the place where you live safer, friendlier and more vibrant. We would like all members to support us in the spirit of our values: **neighbourly, community-focused, inclusive, proactive, trusted and collaborative.**

By becoming a member you take the first step to making your area a stronger and safer place to be. All members will receive access to crime prevention information and campaigns, support to run your local scheme, monthly national newsletters, and more equipped to tackle important issues affecting your community. **Click here to see the full benefits of membership**

It's free to join. We are a charity that relies on voluntary income so always welcome donations to help the work of our small Central Support Team that assists our 90,000 volunteer coordinators. Some local schemes charge a small membership fee to cover their running costs.

SIGN UP HERE

Cookie Settings

Become a member

Benefits of membership

Join us

Find a scheme near you

Step 3



Fill in your **first name, last name, postcode** and **email address**

Confirm that you accept the terms and conditions

Click **JOIN**



To join Neighbourhood Watch please complete the form below:

I agree to the [terms & conditions](#).



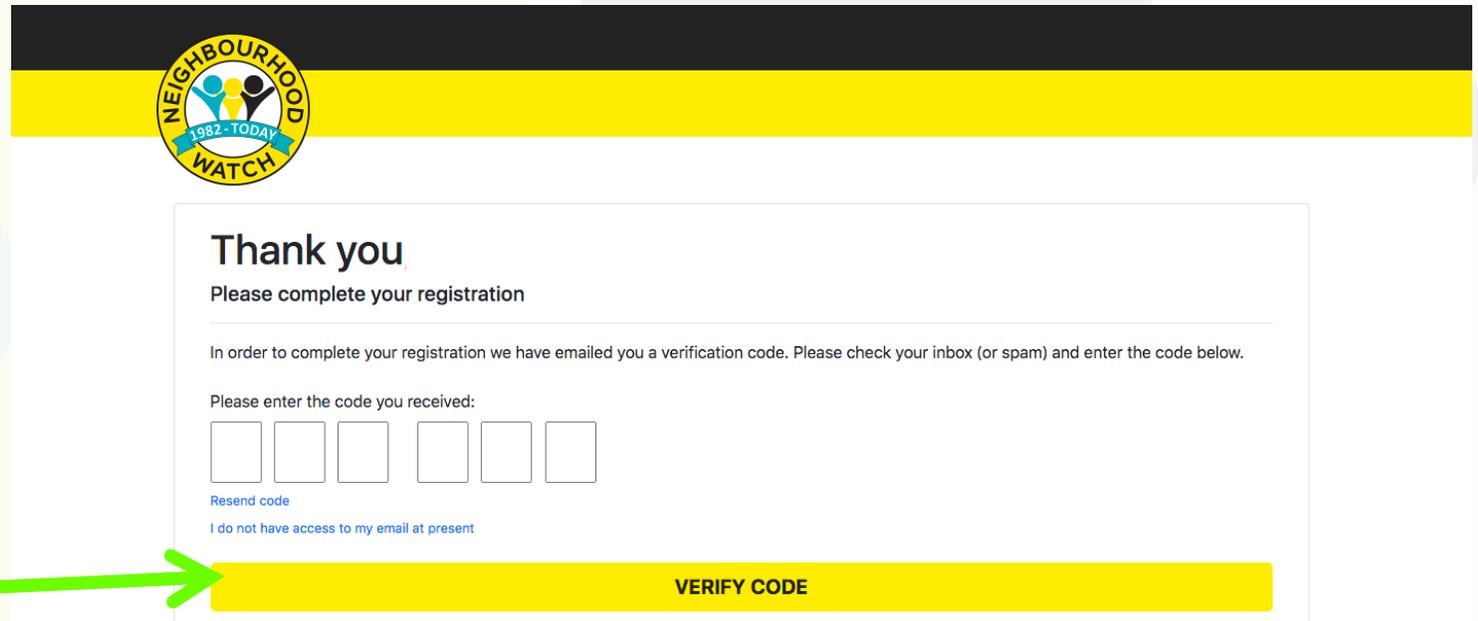
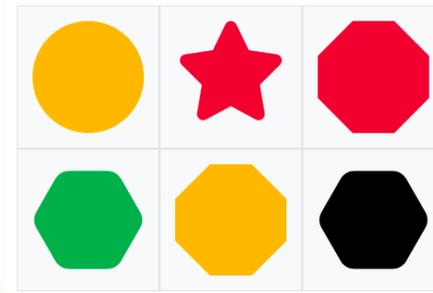
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Answer the security question

Enter the verification code from your email inbox

Click **VERIFY CODE**

Click the "Green" "Hexagon"



Step 5



Confirm your address from the dropdown list

Enter your contact numbers

Enter your date of birth

Thank you
Please complete your registration

Your Address
Please select your correct full address from this list:
Select your address

Your Details
Mobile Number
Your Mobile Number
Landline Number
Your Landline Number
Date of Birth
dd/mm/yyyy

Who Can See Your Information
Only licenced *Information Providers* are able to send messages and you control if they are able to see your details or not. This is a list of all the available *Information Providers* in your area. You will only receive messages from and be visible to the ones you select here.:



Step 5 continued

Tick the organisations you wish to receive information from

This also selects which organisations can see the data you have provided

Create a **strong password**

Once you have finished, click on **COMPLETE REGISTRATION**

Action Fraud (NFIB) (Recommended) [More info](#)

Fire & Rescue Service [More info](#)

Get Safe Online [More info](#)

Local Authority [More info](#)

Neighbourhood Watch (Recommended) [More info](#)

Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner [More info](#)

The Police (Recommended) [More info](#)

Trading Standards [More info](#)

Create a Password

Please enter a password

- ✘ Minimum length 10 characters
- ✘ Lowercase characters
- ✘ Uppercase characters
- ✘ Number or Symbol character (!%&#\$\$^*?_~"'''

Confirm Password

- ✘ Password confirmation matched

[Complete Registration](#)

Step 6

You will be automatically directed to **Join your local scheme**

If there are existing Neighbourhood Watch schemes in your area, they appear here. Click **JOIN** to sign up

If there are no schemes that cover your local area, you may consider creating your own. If so, click:

CREATE A NEW SCHEME



Suggested Schemes

These are the current Neighbourhood Watch schemes that could potentially cover your home address.

Colchester District Neighbourhood Watch	JOIN >
Rosebery and Smythies Avenues Neighbourhood Watch	JOIN >
Blenheim Park	JOIN >
Blenheim Park	JOIN >
New Highwoods Neighbourhood Watch	JOIN >

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Suggested Schemes

These are the current Neighbourhood Watch schemes that could potentially cover your home address.
Unable to find any schemes to suggest for your home address.

Apply to Create a new Scheme

To apply to create a new or add an existing scheme, please click the button below.

[CREATE A NEW SCHEME](#)



Member Area

Click on **Home** in the top left hand corner of your screen to visit the Member Area

Here you can join or create a scheme if you haven't already

You can also edit your details, share your interests, and review your settings

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Member Area

You are now logged in. Please review the "What to Do Next" suggestions below or browse using the navigation above.



Your Details [EDIT](#) Member ID

[CHANGE PROFILE PICTURE](#)

What to Do Next

Interests & About You

[EDIT](#) Please let us know your interests so we can send relevant messages.

[EDIT](#) Let us know your demographic information in order to receive messages best suited to you.

Information Providers

[EDIT](#) Review and configure which Information Providers can see your details and communicate with you.

Welcome on board!

Once you have registered, you will receive your **New Member Pack** by email



Hello!

Welcome to the largest voluntary crime-prevention movement in England and Wales. We are thrilled to have you on board.

The first Neighbourhood Watch group was set up in the UK in 1982, and since then, we have gone from strength to strength, celebrating our 40th anniversary.

We have set ourselves ambitious goals. By 2025, we want to be:

- the authoritative voice on community-based crime prevention
- the first step for neighbours to connect with each other and other groups in support you need to keep you and your neighbours safe, increase community cohesion, and reduce loneliness and isolation.
- a recognised contributor to community health and wellbeing.

What does this mean for you? As a member, we can provide you with the support you need to keep you and your neighbours safe, increase community cohesion, and reduce loneliness and isolation.

Neighbourhood Watch is about looking out for your neighbours. We encourage you to do this in simple ways such as keeping an eye on a neighbour's property when you're out, joining a local litter pick, or sharing our crime prevention advice. There are so many ways to look out for neighbours – it could be as simple as keeping in contact with those who are lonely or isolated.

Neighbourhood Watch began in the US in response to violence against women while in the UK it started in response to a spate of burglaries. **Whatever the reason, physical crime for a rising number of households across England and Wales is increasing.** Neighbourhood Watch's model works. These days cybercrime is more of a traditional crime, such as antisocial behaviour, burglary, and theft, and through Watch and Communities That Care initiatives, we address cybersecurity and provide resources, information, and practical advice for our members.

We have so much to share with you. Some is covered in this welcome pack, but we have time to sit back with a nice cup of tea, browse through our website ourwatch.org.uk and find out more about Neighbourhood Watch and how we can help you to help your area.

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CHAIR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

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Neighbourhood Watch is a grassroots, volunteer-led CHARITY

We bring neighbours together to create safer, stronger and active communities. Being neighbourly, community focused, inclusive, proactive, trusted and collaborative are at our core of all we do.

HOW DO WE OPERATE?

LOCALLY
Anybody can be a member of Neighbourhood Watch and receive information and support from the movement.

They provide training, support materials and practical help to Coordinators. They also campaign on specific issues and initiate projects to support their local groups.

They promote the charity to residents and local partners.

Many of our members are part of a local group and work together to help keep themselves and their neighbours safe, improve community cohesion, and reduce loneliness and isolation.

Please contact your local Neighbourhood Watch scheme or Association, which can support you and help you get connected within your local community.

Neighbourhood Watch groups are run by volunteer Coordinators to help make their area a better and safer place to live.

Neighbourhood Watch Associations are the local heart of Neighbourhood Watch, and if you want to start your own scheme, they can help you to link with others.

We encourage all new members to connect with their local scheme, and if there isn't one, to their local Association.

Groups can be people who live on the same street, or have the same interests, or online social media groups covering whole areas.

Neighbourhood Watch Associations own scheme, they can help you to link with others.

Groups are most effective when working in partnership with other local groups and organisations such as the local council.

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Many successful groups have a close working relationship with their local Neighbourhood Policing Team, and share information about crime and community concerns in the area with them.

ENGLAND AND WALES
Neighbourhood Watch Network is the umbrella charity for schemes in England and Wales, provides support to volunteers to help them diversify and develop the movement.

Our website has a wide range of crime prevention and community development information to support volunteers and members across England and Wales. We run national campaigns, webinars, seminars and workshops, awareness weeks, national partnerships, a knowledge hub, and training. We also provide the messaging and scheme management system used by volunteers and seek discounts for members.

The police often support their Neighbourhood Watch groups by providing information about crime trends in the area and expert advice on how to keep safe. Find your local group [here](http://ourwatch.org.uk).

REGIONALLY
Neighbourhood Watch Associations, run by local volunteers, are in most police force areas.

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I've joined a scheme – what happens next?

- Your local scheme Coordinator should make contact with you to introduce themselves and welcome you into the scheme.
- Many schemes run events such as coffee mornings and crime prevention talks, as well as litter picks and get togethers.
- Joining and being part of an active scheme can **bring the community together, build resilience, and improve your community's wellbeing, as well as reducing opportunities and fear of crime.**

