

Stepps and District Community Council

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Stepps and District Community Council

Thursday 4 November 2021 at 7.30

Stepps Cultural Centre



AGENDA

1.0 Opening Remarks/Introductions

Chairperson

2.0 Apologies

Secretary

3.0 Minutes of Previous meeting 7 October 2021

Chairperson

4.0 Executive Report: Chair, Secretary and Treasurer

5.0 Community Police

Police Scotland

6.0 Actions/Matters arising from previous minutes

- Environmental Report

- Stepps PS and Community Campus Report

7.0 Planning Matters

8.0 - Northern Corridor Community Board

- Northern Corridor Community Forum

- Cumbernauld and North Locality Consortium

9.0 Ward 5 Councillor Briefing Report

10.0 AOCB

11.0 Date and time of next meeting



OCTOBER/NOVEMBER REPORT

PC Simon Findlay is our community police officer covering the Stepps and Muirhead areas.

OFFICIAL

"With regards to the surgeries I still intend to set this up and the pharmacy car park would be excellent. Realistically I don't think that I will be able to facilitate this until after the COP 26 event in October/November. I have been in COP 26 duties from mid September until the end of November. Hopefully I'll get a chance to organise something then. This also means I have not been in the local office to obtain crime figures.

With Regards to the question regarding cameras on the back roads from Stepps I can confirm that there are presently local authority cameras in strategic areas leading into the greater Glasgow areas and Lanarkshire areas which have formed part of the enquiries which have led CID officers to arresting persons involved in many of the thefts including the theft of a resident's vehicle.

With regards to housebreaking and property safety advice I am going to try and arrange something with our community safety department in Motherwell to arrange suitable advice. I will keep you posted regarding this.

Unfortunately as stated I shall be away during the next community council meeting.

As always if there is any issues please get in touch."



6.0 Environmental Report

Cllr Tom Forrester

1. HANGING BASKETS AT WAR MEMORIAL

The hanging basket stands (2) at the War memorial have been removed completely.

2. FLOWER BEDS AT WAR MEMORIAL

The flower beds at the War memorial have been tidied up.

3. DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

No further information or action so far.

4. PARKING ON DOUBLE YELLOW LINES

Have requested assistance from Traffic Warden but have seen no results to date.

5. SELF SEEDING TREES AT WHITEHILL FARM ROAD

Have contacted Caledonian Estates regarding the reappearance of self-seeding trees in the field at Whitehill farm Road (cleared by them last year) They have promised to investigate.

6. FIRE ALARM LEAFLETS

These are in short supply at present but I have managed to obtain a small number for the meeting.

6.0 Actions/Matters arising from previous minutes – Environmental Report



Recover NL Programme - delivery of litter pickers, hi-viz vests, gloves, litter picking hoops, bin bags. These are available from community council for individuals/groups to borrow.

Please contact secretary.sdcc@gamil.com



Have Your Say! Upgrade of Play Area at Dunalastair Drive, Millerston.

North Lanarkshire Council is planning to upgrade the play area at Dunalastair Drive, Millerston. The proposal is to create a unique play space devised by local people, particularly young people that would include a variety of play equipment and play opportunities.

We are keen to seek your views so please complete the short survey.

The survey will close on Wednesday 27th October 2021. If you require further information regarding this development you can email PlayServices@northlan.gov.uk or call 07800 912886.

1. Would you like to see this play area upgraded?

- Yes
- No

2. Would you prefer the play equipment to be?

- Predominately Metal
- Predominately Hard Wood
- Themed e.g Castles

3. How often would you use the play area if it was upgraded?

- Daily
- Weekly
- ...



UPGRADE OF PLAY AREA AT DUNALISTAIR DRIVE, MILLERSTON

Short online survey regarding the development of the play area at Dunalastair Drive, Stepps.

The local Community Partnership Officer will share the link to the survey via the Council's social media channels, local schools and existing community networks.

The closing date for the consultation was **27th October 2021**. Letters will be issued to residents overlooking the play area informing them of the development and inviting them to complete the survey.

The information collated from the survey will inform the design specification which can then be issued for tender.

The tender process should be completed by Jan/Feb 2022. This will be accompanied by a copy of the winning design along with an estimated timescale for completion.



6.0 Actions/Matters arising from previous minutes

Stepps PS and Community Campus Report

Remedial Works October update

This is now the final phase of the remediation works, the contractors should be off site early in the new year.

Onsite meeting requested to discuss e.g. removal of contractor's compound on area of Hockey Pitch.

NO UPDATE 29 September 2021: Meeting with Andrew McPherson (Northern Corridor Community Champion)

- community expectations re: the return of library (full range of facilities), two meeting rooms and community kitchen
- general discussion about lets (no NLC venues available locally)
- timetable of campus works
- library etc may not be restored until August 2022
- community consultation on reconfiguration of modular units
- dissatisfaction re: timetabling of mobile library

New Mobile Library Stop at Stepps Library

NORTH LANARKSHIRE

We've introduced a new mobile library stop at Stepps Primary school while the library is closed due to ongoing building works.

Alternate Mondays 1.45pm - 4.05pm
2021 Dates: 13 Sep, 27 Sep, 11 Oct, 25 Oct, 8 Nov, 22 Nov, 6 Dec, 20 Dec.

Alternate Wednesdays 11.55am - 12.30pm & 1.30pm - 4.05pm
2021 Dates: 6 Sep, 20 Sep, 4 Oct, 18 Oct, 1 Nov, 15 Nov, 29 Nov, 13 Dec.

Scan for full mobile library service information

or visit www.culturenl.co.uk/covid-19/mobile-libraries

LIVE HERE

Northern Corridor – Community Champion

Mr Andrew McPherson, Head of Regulatory Services and Waste Solutions

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, rightly, places local communities at the heart of public service delivery.

On 3rd December 2020, the Policy and Strategy Committee approved proposals for an updated operating model that assigned the council's Heads of Service as Community Champions to work with each (and across all) of the nine Community Boards.

This approach provides a direct link between the council's Corporate Management Team and the communities that we serve

Forward invitation to a future community council meeting.



7.0 Planning Matters

20/01211/PPP | Residential Development and Associated Infrastructure and Landscaping (In Principle) | Site To South Of Dorlin Road Cardowan Stepps

****Case Update PPA-320-2151 – 13/10/2021****

**The decision on this case has been issued. The case has been dismissed and consent has been refused.
Full report on Community Council website**

Reporter's decision is final. Individuals dissatisfied may make a right of appeal at Court of Session (6 weeks /24 November)

ROADSIDE SERVICES AREA , HORNSHILL INTERCHANGE (JUNCTION 3 M80), STEPPS

21/01275/FUL | Roadside Services Area Comprising Petrol Filling Station, Ancillary Retail Unit, Drive-Thru (Class 3) Units, HGV And Car Parking Areas, Associated Facilities, Landscaping, Infrastructure Works And New Junction Access | Site At Hornshill Farm Road Stepps North Lanarkshire

Case Officer Susan Hunt. 16 December 2021 looks like the earliest planning committee date for presentation.

S&DCC response on website



Figure 2 - Euro Garages Developments

To comply with Policy DSP4, Quality of Development and to minimise the adverse visual impact on the rural verdant site and reflect the character of its adjacent surroundings:

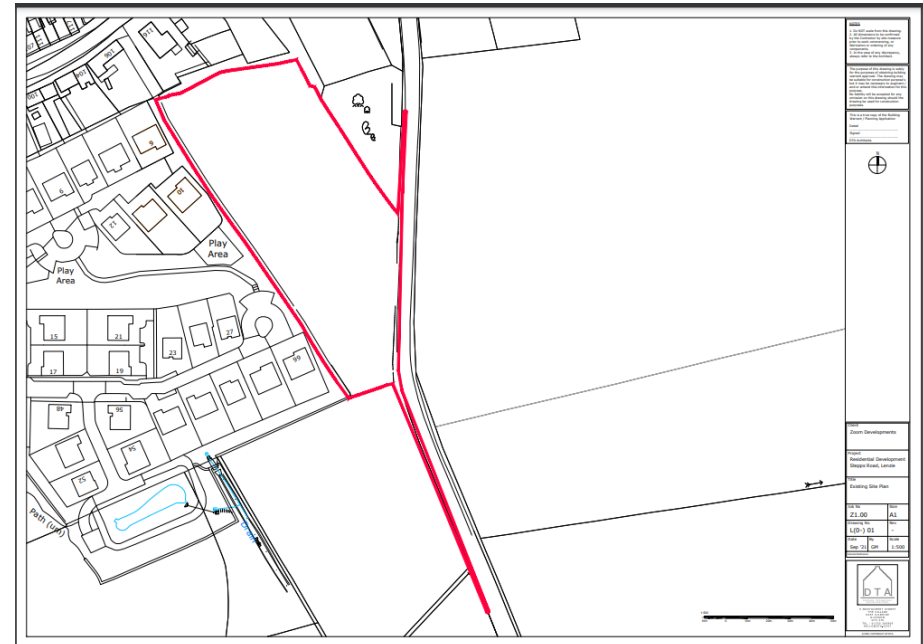
1. The buildings should be redesigned. They should be semi-recessed and integrated into the landscape at a lower level and incorporate a sedum roof.
2. Stone should be used for the external walls. This would be in keeping with the character of the adjoining farm buildings.
3. The landscaping should be redesigned to enhance the integration and screening of the development. Hard landscaping should be reduced and significant continuous tree planting at all boundaries introduced.
4. The proposal indicates a partial development of the site, and a vehicular access to the south for future development. The application should indicate what is proposed for the remainder of the site.
5. The drawings do not show the development in context which indicates that this has not been considered.
6. This development serves transient vehicular traffic, and there should be no pedestrian or vehicular link with Stepps via the Hornshill Farm Road.



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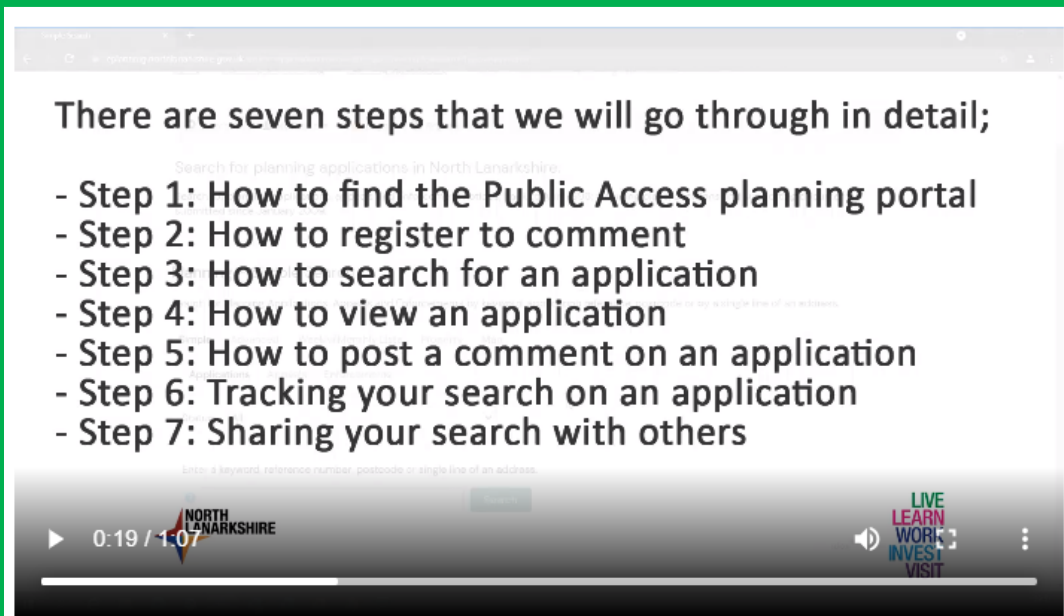
21/01440/FUL | Permanent Retention of Modular 2 Classroom Extension Granted Temporary Planning Permission under 20/00783/FUL | Stepps Primary School Blenheim Avenue Stepps Glasgow North Lanarkshire G33 6FH

21/01553/FUL | Residential Development of 7no. Detached Dwellings With Detached Garages | Site Off Stepps Road Auchinloch North Lanarkshire



When commenting on planning applications

Our [step-by-step guide](#) tells you how to search for and comment on planning applications. The guide also tells you how to track your search and how to share your search with others.



There are seven steps that we will go through in detail;

- Step 1: How to find the Public Access planning portal
- Step 2: How to register to comment
- Step 3: How to search for an application
- Step 4: How to view an application
- Step 5: How to post a comment on an application
- Step 6: Tracking your search on an application
- Step 7: Sharing your search with others

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NORTH LEARNKSHIRE

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Introduction to search and comment on planning applications



8.0 North Lanarkshire Council

Northern Corridor Community Board Next meeting Wednesday 24th November 2021, 6.30 – 8.30pm Available to view on NLC YouTube channel
Email communitymatters@northlan.gov.uk

Development of the LOIP and local priorities. The plan for the Northern Corridor has been coproduced with input from local community representatives, organisations and local public sector agencies.

- Health Inequalities
- Children and Young People
- Social Integration and Inclusion
- Community Transport
- Moodiesburn West
- Building local relationships, trust, and communication



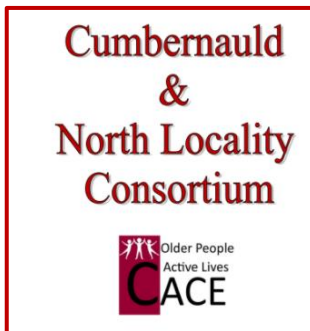
Sub-Groups – membership, organisation, terms of reference, recruit interested parties, skills set, reducing inequalities across local communities, communications plan.



Northern Corridor Community Forum (Chair Carole Henderson)

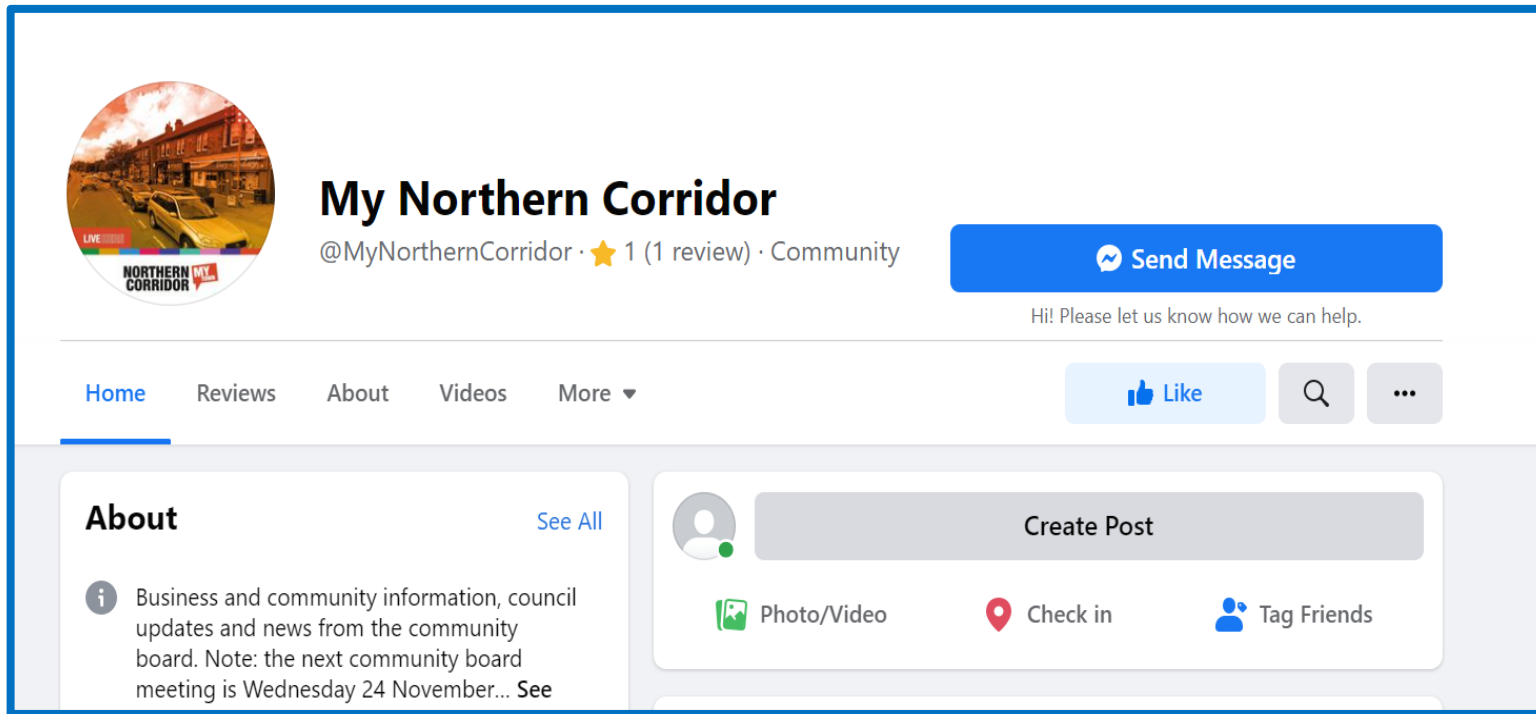
Next Meeting Thursday 11 November at 7pm, Chryston Cultural Centre, Lindsaybeg Road, Chryston

- Town and Community Hubs
- Delivery of health services at new Muirhead Clinic
- Difficulties with GP appointments
- Housing over-development across Northern Corridor
- Northern Corridor Community Board
- Social media/local publication for Northern Corridor



Cumbernauld and North Locality Consortium (Chair Susan Drummond)

Next meeting TBC



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Business and community information, council updates and news from the community board. Note: the next community board meeting is Wednesday 24 November... See

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Community Grants in the Northern Corridor





9.0 Ward 5 Councillor Briefing

Ward 5 Councillor Briefing



Ward 5 Councillors

Cllr Lynne Anderson

Cllr Stephen Goldsack

Cllr John McLaren

The Community Council and Ward 5 Councillors are pleased to announce their commitment to working jointly to provide you with a 'Ward 5 Councillor Briefing'.

The briefing will provide you with information about the work our elected representatives undertake on our behalf.

The briefing will be a regular item at the monthly Community Council meetings. Details of how to get in touch with our Councillors can be found on the Contact tab (Elected Members).

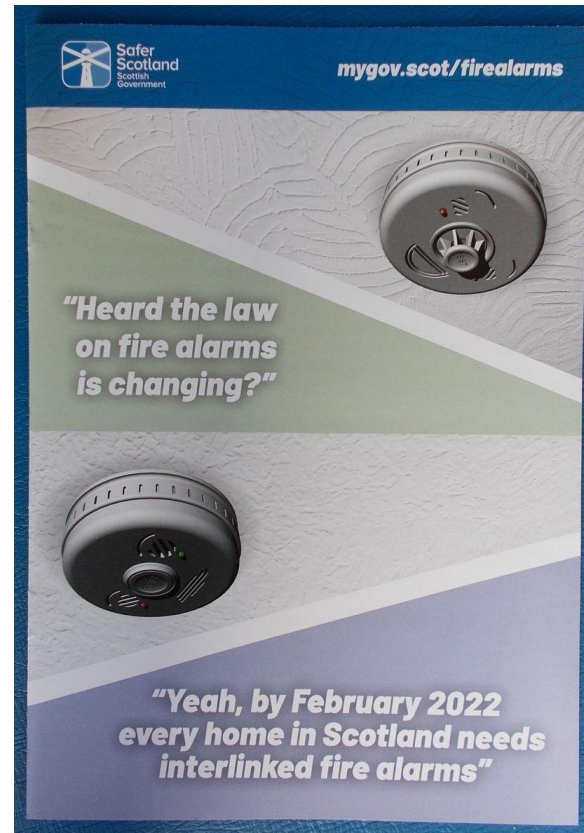


- Roll out of digital connectivity
- changes to permitted development rights for telecom masts



10. AOCB

1. Remembrance Sunday 14 November 2021 at War Memorial (10.55)
2. Stepps/Les Marches Pizza & Prosecco Night – Friday 26 November at 7.30 Stepps Parish Church cost £5. Bring own refreshments.
3. 'Wrap Up Lanarkshire'
4. New interlinked fire and smoke alarm information leaflet available from Mobile Library



WRAP UP LANARKSHIRE

WARM A HEART, GIVE A COAT

With the onset of winter the 'Wrap Up Lanarkshire' campaign aims to ensure nobody is without a clean warm winter jacket. No matter your personal circumstances we welcome anyone in need to come along to our premises and collect a jacket.

Visit us at
29 Graham Street
(next door to Poundland)
9:30am and 2pm
Monday to Friday
to collect.
*(Discretion ensured,
no referral needed)*

No need to call ahead, just come along to 29 Graham St. through the door and upstairs and select a jacket/coat.

For any other information contact us at
diamondsitc@hotmail.com



5 . Boundary Commission Review 2023



Boundary Commission
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WHAT WE DO

The Boundary Commission for Scotland reviews UK Parliament constituencies in Scotland.

Our reviews ensure that each constituency has roughly the same number of electors. We carry out reviews every 5 years.

The next review is the 2023 Review UK Parliament constituencies.

Enter your postcode to find your current UK Parliament constituency.

6. Dates of Future Meetings Stepps Cultural Centre

Thursday 04 November 2021

Thursday 02 December 2021

Thursday 06 January 2022

Thursday 03 February 2022

Thursday 03 March 2022

Thursday 07 April 2022

Due to local elections venue/date for MAY meeting to follow.

Thursday 02 June 2022

AGM in June to bring into line with the auditing of the community council accounts



11.0 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Thursday 2 December 2021 at 7.30
Stepps Cultural Centre
Vote of thanks to everyone for their
support and contributions

SECRETARY Email secretary.sdcc@gmail.com

CHAIR Email chair.sdcc@gmail.com

Campaigning to

Save Stepps Greenbelt



[savesteppegreenbelt.com](https://www.facebook.com/savesteppegreenbelt)

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Scottish Water – Bogus Callers



Police Scotland have recently warned people to be wary of cold callers who claim to work for Scottish Water.

One woman in her 80s from West Lothian [recently lost a four-figure sum of money](#) after scammers knocked on her door and said they were from the water board and had been sent to check her pipes.

She let them into her house, but became suspicious after they went into three different rooms. After they left, she discovered that they had taken jewellery and cash.

If you receive an unexpected visit from someone saying they work for Scottish Water, Police Scotland advise that **you should call Scottish Water's customer helpline on 0800 0778 778 before you open the door.** They can confirm if the caller is genuine - any genuine member of staff or contractor will be happy to wait while you verify their identity.

Scottish Water [state on their website](#) that their employees and contractors working on their behalf will always carry a photo ID card. They will usually drive vehicles clearly marked with their logo. Where possible, they will contact customers in advance to access their property and arrange a suitable time to visit.

Scottish Water employees or any contractor working for them will never ask for, nor accept, any money from you at your home.

Report suspicious behaviour to Police Scotland on 101 and report scams to Advice Direct Scotland on **0808 164 6000** or via their [website](#). If you feel threatened or unsafe at any time, call **999**.

Fire and Smoke Alarms Standard - Trading Standards Scotland

Every home in Scotland must meet the Scottish Government's new standard for interlinked fire and smoke alarms by February 2022.

Scammers and rogue traders may try to take advantage of those who are unsure about how to comply with the new legislation or who are worried about meeting the installation deadline.

Our new infographic shows how to recognise potential scams connected to the new legislation and where to find trusted information:

New Fire and Smoke Alarm Standard: Avoid Scams

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What Might Scammers Say?

Cold calls Cold callers may tell you that you are eligible for financial support to install new fire alarms or that they are offering special deals. If you get a cold call about the new fire alarms legislation, do not provide any details or agree to purchase any products.

Leaflets You may get a leaflet through the door from a company selling fire alarms that implies that they have been endorsed by the Government. Neither the Scottish Government nor Scottish Ministers have endorsed any particular suppliers, products or services.

Where Can I Find Trusted Information?

The best way to avoid scams is to use trusted sources of information. Don't deal with cold callers and be wary of any company that says their products or services have been endorsed by the Scottish Government.

- Scottish Government**
www.mygov.scot/home-fire-safety
Detailed information about the new legislation, what you need to do and what to look for when choosing an alarm
- Care & Repair Scotland**
careandrepairsotland.co.uk / 0141 221 9879
Information about financial support available to eligible older and disabled homeowners
- Scottish Fire & Rescue Service**
www.firescotland.gov.uk / 0800 0731 999
Information about choosing and installing alarms and how to book a free Home Fire Safety visit
- Trusted Traders**
www.approvedtrader.scot
Find installers who have been vetted and approved by local Trading Standards officers

Report all scams to Advice Direct Scotland on 0808 164 6000 or at www.consumeradvice.scot

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Information about choosing and installing alarms and how to book a free Home Fire Safety visit
- [Care & Repair Scotland](#)
Information about financial support available to eligible older and disabled homeowners

[Trusted Traders](#)

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****** Reporting Incidents via the Police Scotland 101 System ******

Residents concerned about local incidents, minor crime or disorder are encouraged to report via the non-emergency number 101. This can be done anonymously. It is important that incidents are reported and logged as this creates a record and evidence of an ongoing or recurring issue which may require additional resources.

Use the non-emergency number and call 101 for situations that do not require an immediate police response.

This will help keep 999 available when there is an emergency, for example, if a crime is taking place, or someone is in immediate danger - for these types of incidents, always call 999.