

Tonbridge & Malling Crime Prevention Panel

Terms of Reference

Introduction

The Tonbridge & Malling Crime Prevention Panel was established in order to reduce crime and the fear of crime in the community through working together. The Panel meets on a regular basis to discuss any problems of crime in the area and to try to seek a solution to that problem. It frequently holds crime prevention events and distributes free crime prevention items such as purse chains and personal alarms.

Purpose

The purpose of the Tonbridge & Malling Crime Prevention Panel is to encourage the discussion and publicity for crime prevention matters within the Tonbridge and Malling area.

Membership

The Crime Prevention Panel will comprise of representatives from organisations and local residents. Organisations will include:

- Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council
- Kent Police
- KCC Youth Service
- Neighbourhood Watch
- Parish Councils
- KCC Community Wardens
- Tonbridge Lions Club
- Tonbridge & Malling Youth Forum
- Kent Fire & Rescue Service
- The Shaw Trust
- Other organisations as appropriate.

Membership is open to volunteers from the community with a common cause to reduce crime and the fear of crime. No previous experience will be necessary. Invited residents/ statutory partners may join the Panel if they have indicated a willingness to do so. Membership to the Panel will be free.

Objectives

The objectives of the Panel are to:

- (i) Play an important and meaningful role in combating crime and the fear of crime and promoting the use of crime prevention measures by involving residents and statutory bodies in the community.

- (ii) Compliment and support the Police and Local Authority with their respective crime reduction/prevention strategies.
- (iii) Design local initiatives to address local problems.