



Southport Homewatch Association Newsletter



Invitation to Annual General Meeting

All Scheme Leaders, Deputies and Members are invited to our Annual General Meeting.

PLEASE NOTE VENUE

7pm Wednesday 15th April 2026.

Church Hall, Liverpool Road Methodist Church, Birkdale, PR8 4PD

Doors open 6:30pm. Car Parking on-site and adjacent streets.

10mins walk from Hillside Station, Bus routes 49 and X2.

Guest Speakers: Southport Local Policing Team – Home Security / Burglary Prevention. Please submit questions in advance where possible.

There will be an opportunity for some ad hoc discussion on the night.

Message from Chairman (Jacqueline Webb),

Welcome to all Scheme Leaders and Deputies.

What have we been up to this year?

Ward level meetings:

In the past year we held meetings with the Neighbourhood Policing teams for Birkdale and Dukes Scheme Leaders. Both meetings were well received but, unfortunately, the Dukes meeting was poorly attended. As a result (and due to how the Birkdale Neighbourhood Team cover some of the residential area of Dukes) we have combined Birkdale and Dukes into a single Scheme Leader WhatsApp group and a single Scheme Leader contact sheet.

Monthly newsletter:

We have introduced our monthly email newsletter which has proved popular. Especially the local crime report kindly provided by Sgt Andrew Dentith.

Lamppost signs:

Since the last AGM 20 lamppost signs have been installed, free of charge, for Schemes in Southport. Many thanks to the Birkdale councillors who made funds available for signs in Birkdale. We now have a good supply of signs but still have difficulty with timescales for getting them put up by the council.

Audit :

We sent out a request for confirmation of our records in November and are still working through responses and chasing up replies.

Membership :

In 2025 we lost 9 schemes and opened 8 new schemes. Can you help grow our numbers? Contact us if you have any ideas.

As always, thank you to all our Scheme Leaders and Deputies. Please get in touch with any comments, queries or suggestions. I hope to see as many as possible of you at our AGM.

Election of Officers :

The following Officers have confirmed their willingness to stand :

Officers : Chair : Jacqueline Webb Treasurer : David Stanley
Secretary : Stuart Dunwoodie
Committee: TBA

Other nominations for election of Officers must be proposed (after obtaining nominee's consent), seconded and sent to the Association at the address.

Financial Statement

The financial year 2025 has continued to be a positive year with us receiving a donation from SES Security Ltd. of £500 and we were also successful in receiving a disbursement from Sefton MBC of £495 for Street Signs in Birkdale. These will be made available free of charge to new and existing schemes in Birkdale.

Please find below the summary of our accounts for the calendar year 2025.

Kind Regards Dave Stanley

Brought Forward Jan 1st 2025	-	£ 2491	Web / Email Hosting	-	£ 120
Sales	-	£ 0	Accommodation	-	£ 35
Donations	-	£ 520	Materials	-	£ 1067
Awards	-	£ 495	Miscellaneous	-	£ 15
Miscellaneous	-	£ 0	Stationery	-	£ 0
Balance at End December 2025	-	£ 2269			

Southport Homewatch Association:

We currently have a total of 150+ active groups, potentially covering over 4,000 households. Please encourage your family and friends to consider starting a Scheme in their area. Speak to any member of the committee or contact us at contact@southporthomewatch.org.uk for further information.



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