



Newsletter

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Plant to Prevent

Spring has sprung and many of us are getting out into the garden but did you know that some plants can actually help to deter thieves?

Defensive planting is a strategic approach to landscaping that uses natural barriers to enhance home security and deter burglars. By incorporating thorny, dense, and prickly plants around vulnerable areas such as windows, fences, and entry points, homeowners can create a physical deterrent that makes it difficult for intruders to gain access. Plants like holly, pyracantha, and roses are popular choices due to their sharp thorns and dense growth, which can cause discomfort and slow down anyone attempting to breach the perimeter. Additionally, placing gravel or other noisy ground covers near entry points can alert homeowners to any unusual activity, as the sound of footsteps on these surfaces is easily noticeable.

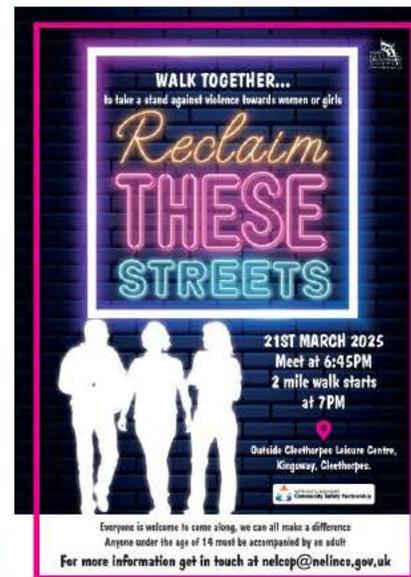
Beyond their security benefits, defensive plants can also enhance the aesthetic appeal of a property. Many of these plants offer beautiful flowers, vibrant foliage, and seasonal interest, making them a valuable addition to any garden. By carefully selecting and positioning these plants, homeowners can create a visually appealing landscape that also serves a practical purpose. Moreover, integrating defensive planting with other security measures, such as outdoor lighting and surveillance cameras, can provide a comprehensive approach to home security, ensuring peace of mind for residents.

Have your say and take part in the JSIA 2025 Consultation

The community safety partnership (CSP) is inviting those who live, work or visit North East Lincolnshire to share their views on crime and anti-social behaviour. This annual consultation will help the Council, Police, and other local services understand local challenges and set priorities for community safety. [https://tell-](https://tell-us.questionpro.eu/a/TakeSurvey?tt=9me1TbUtygoNVFbjfvRcEg%3D%3D)

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Reclaim These Streets



In recent times, the movement to reclaim public spaces has gained momentum, with communities coming together to express their voices and demand change.

Reclaim These Streets is more than just a slogan; it's a call to action. It encourages individuals to take ownership of their surroundings and use them as platforms for meaningful expression.

We walked together to take a stand against violence towards women and girls.

It's estimated that over 200 people of all ages and genders attended to participate in the 2 mile walk from Cleethorpes Leisure Centre in March 2025. We started at the leisure centre and walked towards the Pier, into Cleethorpes Town Centre, through the Pier Gardens and back to the Leisure Centre. Whilst it was cold it stayed dry and there was a buoyant atmosphere as we all walked along waving our glow sticks.

Thank you to those who helped to organise the walk, the stewards who volunteered their time and all those who attended to make the event such a success.



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Chalk Art Messages



How do we start a conversation with passers-by without pestering them to engage with us and create a powerful message to start the Reclaim These Streets Walk? With chalk art messages! Our vibrant, temporary messages transformed Kings Parade, Cleethorpes into a canvas for advocacy, solidarity, and hope.

Thank you to Fraud Watch

Between April 2024 and March 2025 in North East Lincolnshire FraudWatch have worked hard to raise awareness and have delivered 14 sessions to 332 people to highlight and increase knowledge regarding fraud and cyber awareness.

<https://www.fraudwatch.org.uk/>



Congratulations to PCSO Kerry-Anne Leaning, and WISE Officers Derek Wright and Callum Neary for receiving CSP commendations after supporting a vulnerable victim of crime. Pictured here with Chief Superintendent

Paul French and Police and Crime Commissioner Jonathan Evison.

This quarter we held two beat walks to see how our teams work, in partnership, to prevent and respond to crime, and to witness the regeneration work in Grimsby town centre. Its invaluable to see how our strategic work translates into action.



Hit the Hub!

The first Neighbourhood Watch 'hub' information point has been placed in East Marsh at the Cup of Joy café. More hubs will follow over the coming months across the borough. Each will provide community safety information leaflets and a way to find out about support in areas that have fewer formal Neighbourhood Watch groups. The hubs are supported through VANEL who oversee Neighbourhood Watch locally.

www.nelwatch.org.uk/neighbourhood-watch/neighbourhood-watch-hubs/



Women's Empowerment & Networking Event

Our first Women's Empowerment and Networking Event in February 2025 was a great success and a sell-out. It was a half day filled with inspiration, learning, and meaningful connections.

We'd like to thank all the speakers who presented and all those who attended. We'd also like to thank all the staff who worked to put the event together.

We had 9 different speaker organisations presenting on a variety of topics such as male allyship and positive masculinity, the stalking advocacy service and women in policing. The speakers were engaging and captivated the audience with their presentations and insights.

The event offered numerous networking sessions, allowing attendees to connect with like-minded women. Many new friendships and professional relationships were formed, fostering a supportive community



Humberside First Responder for Modern Slavery Training Day

In February 2025 over 150 adult and child social workers from across Humberside (including NEL) met at Melton 2 for the first responder for modern slavery training regarding the national referral mechanism (NRM)

The training was well attended and feedback positive. It had a more informal approach and centred around networking and table discussions to ensure knowledge and good practice was effectively shared.



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