

Neighbourhood Support North Shore

“Connecting Neighbours for a Safer Community”



Suspicious Activity – See Something Do Something

YOU are “Johnny on the SPOT” and can provide the Police with the vital information needed and help prevent a crime happening or solve a crime.

SUSPICIOUS persons / vehicles / activity must be reported AS SOON AS YOU SEE IT HAPPENING.

POLICE could already be looking for the person/vehicle you have identified as suspicious in your local area.

POLICE DO NOT have the time or resources to peruse community Facebook pages and RELY ON US as a community to report suspicious persons / vehicles / activity to them. “Be the Eyes & Ears for you community”

THE suspicious persons / vehicle you see may be repeat offenders.

SUSPICIOUS persons / vehicle will move on to another suburb in our area when they realise they are being watched ... and can do freely because NO ONE has reported them to the Police.

POLICE CAN NOT solve ALL burglaries or crimes without the help of the people in our community providing the vital information and leads for them to find the offender/s.

WHEN an offender commits a crime and there is no way of linking the offender to the crime. NO ID, NO Description, NO Evidence left behind at the scene of a crime or serial number links to items taken that would be a link to the offender. The crime becomes an unsolved crime.

POLICE prefer to stop an offender / crime before they happen.

Its great people want to share suspicious activity on Facebook **BUT IT SHOULD ONLY BE SHARED AFTER IT HAS BEEN REPORTED TO THE POLICE.**

IF you have the time to post suspicious activity on Facebook YOU have the time to report it to the Police.

POLICE would prefer to attend a suspicious activity call out to find out it may have been totally innocent rather than not attending at all.

**If you are witnessing suspicious activity / persons or vehicles
Please call 111 and let the call take decide the best course of action.....
THEN put up a “FYI” or “Be Aware” post on Facebook & let your Area /
Street Contact and neighbours know also**

A PERSON ISN'T SUSPICIOUS—THEIR BEHAVIOUR IS!

Giving A Good Description

Community safety and crime prevention is everyone's responsibility. You can assist the Police by providing a good description of anyone you see committing a crime or who is acting suspiciously.

When giving a description it is important to try and build a complete picture of a person from head to toe; it is important to take note of the following features:

Male / Female ~ Age ~ Body frame / build ~ Appearance / look ~ Distinguishing clothing / shoes ~ Hair cut / colour ~ Facial hair ~ Scars, tattoos or glasses ~ Approximate height ~ Voice characteristics / speech / language ~ Body language

Don't Forget The Vehicle

If you observe a vehicle being used during a crime or suspicious behaviour it is important to take note of the following details:

Vehicle registration ~ Vehicle colour, make and model ~ Distinguishing signs or artwork / graphics ~ Any damage or rust ~ Address of where they are parked if vehicle is stationary ~ Direction of travel ~ Driver / occupant/s ~ Take note of bull bars, roof racks, tow bars etc

What Should You Do

- ~Keep Calm
- ~ Note date, time location of incident
- ~ Report where and what is happening
- ~ Stay on the phone to Police
- ~ Do not approach the person/s or vehicle directly
- ~ If you can safely do so keep watching and continue to report what is happening
- ~Take photos with mobile device or camera, but only if it's safe to do so

You can check if a suspicious vehicle is stolen or not via the Police stolen webpage—<http://www.police.govt.nz/stolenwanted/stolen-vehicles> or download the "**Stolen Cars NZ**" APP from Google Play Store or iPhone App Store (black and red car icon).



Or go to www.carjam.co.nz to check if the plates on a suspicious vehicle match the make and model noted on Car Jam and if they do not match **call 111 straight away.**