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CO-ORDINATORS “WANTED POSTERS” PROJECT

PRESENT STRENGTH

Our present strength covers 38 Area Co-ordinators, 315 Co-ordinators, and 6470 Households in membership.

AIMS

Due to the fact that under our rules you cannot have a Watch without a named Co-ordinator, we have launched a project to get Watches in areas that at the moment we do not cover. To accomplish this we have to recruit people to act as Co-ordinators to run the Watches under the guidance of an Area Co-ordinator. Each Co-ordinator can appoint a deputy but this is not required.

FUNDING

To be able to finance the printing of the posters and envelopes we had to get a Grant to cover this, as we do not have any other income and we are all volunteers.

ADVERTISEMENT

We advertised the project at our Meetings, our in house Newsletter, and by E-mails, with the help of the Police and by word of mouth.

DISTRIBUTION

Our Secretary is to send each Area Co-ordinators 5 copies of the poster for them to distribute to their Co-ordinators. Further copies are available by contacting any of our Officers. Police Sergeants in Bideford, Torrington and Holsworthy to get 10 copies each, to put up in Police Stations and for PCSOs to give them out on their beats. The stock of the posters is to be kept in the NHW Support Office at Bideford Police Station.

POSTER VENUES

We feel that these posters would make the biggest impact if placed on Notice Boards at places where the public visit regularly. These would include Village Halls, shops, Public Houses, Police Stations, Hospitals, Doctors Surgeries, Council Offices, Libraries, Sports Halls, Community Centres, Volunteer Centres, Swimming Baths, Clubs, Town Halls and the list is endless.

PROJECT CONCLUSION

It is a proven fact that neighbourhoods covered by a Watch Scheme are less likely to become victims of crime. Neighbourhood Watch is about more than reducing local crime- it's about bringing people together and improving quality of life. It helps to build communities that they are empowered to deal with local issues and tackle any problems that may arise.

Tom Carrick.

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