

## StreetSafe - Tell us where you don't feel safe

### StreetSafe – Police.uk (www.police.uk)

Street Safe is a pilot service for anyone to anonymously tell us about public places where you have felt or feel unsafe, because of environmental issues, eg street lighting, abandoned buildings or vandalism and/or because of some behaviours, eg being followed or verbally abused.

Please note: 'StreetSafe' is not for reporting crime or incidents.

If something has happened to you or someone you know (including in public spaces online) you can call us on 101 or find out what online reporting services are available.



Detective Superintendent Lee Berry, of West Yorkshire Police, said: "The StreetSafe Tool is a fantastic way of reporting matters to the police, it allows your voice to be heard and gives us a clear idea of matters that are happening in the area that you live. "By submitting this information, we are able to look into conducting targeted work within your area or increase our patrols and to ensure that we're working with partners and the community to build a safe environment to live, study and work. "I'd like to thank those who have taken time to use StreetSafe, and I'd like to encourage more people to use the tool and let us know where there are persistent issues or areas that make you feel unsafe. Your input will help us keep you and our communities across West Yorkshire safe."

To use the tool, please visit: StreetSafe | Police.uk (www.police.uk)

When using the tool, you will be asked:

- \* Where it happened
- \* Why you felt unsafe, e.g. because you were followed or there was poor lighting
- \* Why you haven't reported what happened to the police
- \* Your age, gender, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation and if you have any illnesses or disabilities

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Over 300 people in West Yorkshire have submitted a report and we are encouraging you to submit your pinpoints via the tool, to better understand where specific areas of concern are.



A Safe Zone is somewhere you can go to get help if something happens that makes you feel scared and in fear of someone or something.

# Neighbourhood News



#### What is Stalking

Stalking is a pattern of repeated, unwanted behaviour that causes you to feel distressed or scared. It can be perpetrated by a men or women.

Stalking can happen with or without fear of violence. This means that if you are receiving persistent unwanted contact that is causing you distress, but the person has never threatened you, this is still stalking and not acceptable.



#### **Personnal Safety**

Take a mobile telephone and personal attack alarm when you go out.

Try to alter your daily routines, ask a friend to go with you whenever possible and always try to let someone know what your plans are.

Tell your friends, neighbours, and work colleagues about what is happening.

Review your security settings on social media/networks.

When answering the phone say hello, not by your name or number.

Do not engage with the stalker in any way.

Do not confront your stalker or engage them in conversation.

<u>Do not</u> in any circumstances agree to meet with your stalker.

Seek advice from the Police, a Solicitor, or the National Stalking Helpline Freephone 0808 802 0300

You can find more safety advice on the National Stalking Helpline Website. www.stalkinghelpline.org or www.suzylamplugh.org



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#### For the latest news and updates:

Visit West Yorkshire Police website - www.westyorkshire.police.uk

To report a crime, please ring 101. Always dial 999 in an emergency.

Sign up to our new community alert system at: www.wypcommunityalert.co.uk

Your Crime Reduction Officers for Kirklees are:-

**Stephen Forrest and Sharon Charlesworth** 

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