

## No need to be spooked this Halloween

Happy Halloween,

Thames Valley Police would like to inform you of what your local Neighbourhood Policing Team and local partners are doing during the Halloween and firework celebrations.

Your Neighbourhood Team will be carrying out patrols in the evenings to make sure people who are trick or treating are doing so in a friendly manner and not causing a nuisance.

For some people this time of year can be a bother as your evenings are interrupted with people knocking on your doors for treats.

Most of these children or teenagers are just getting involved in the Halloween celebrations and will be friendly.

At any point if you feel unsafe:

- Don't open your door if you're unsure who is there. Use your spy-hole, look out of a window and use your door chain if you do decide to open your door.
- Have a contact number of a close relative or good neighbour to hand by your telephone, just in case you need to phone them.

 If you are part of a Neighbourhood Watch scheme, let your coordinator know that you will be on your own at Halloween. If you are a coordinator, please identify people in your scheme that may be vulnerable and offer them reassurance.

Thames Valley Police will not tolerate any anti-social behaviour at any time of the year.

To report anti-social behaviour contact the Thames Valley Police 24 hour non-emergency number 101.

In an emergency dial 999.



