

# WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Secure your garage by having quality locks installed on all doors & windows to restrict unauthorised access to this area. Garages are frequently targeted by thieves.
- Lock your car and remove valuables from view when you leave it unattended, even in your driveway.
- Report any crime or suspicious activity around your home or neighbourhood as quickly as possible. If you see a crime taking place contact Police Emergency 000, tell the operator is happening. For suspicious activity contact your local Police Station, tell the operator what is happening.
- *Should you require any further information regarding this problem please contact your local Community Safety Team on 9745 1333.*



## BURWOOD-LOCAL AREA COMMAND

# HELP STOP HOUSE BREAK-INS



*Working together to prevent crime.*

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## INTRODUCTION

There have been a number of homes, units and garages broken into and property stolen within this area in recent weeks. Leaving doors and windows open or unlocked often make it easy for the thief to gain access to homes, units or garages and steal property.

With this in mind, Burwood Police are seeking your cooperation and support to reduce this problem within this area. We ask that you closely examine your current home and garage security, and follow some simple guidelines which can reduce these problems.

## GOAL

To reduce the incidence of house break-ins in this area.

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- Display your street number at the front of the house to assist emergency service to locate your home in an emergency.
- Ensure that all perimeter fences are in good order and that gates are kept closed & locked when no in use to restrict unauthorised access to your property.
- Ensure that trees and shrubs are trimmed away from around doors & windows so as not to provide concealment to intruders & increase visibility to & from the street.
- Install good quality security lights around the perimeter of your home to provide more effective illumination at night.
- The power board to your home should be housed within a metal cabinet locked with an electricity authority lock to restrict tampering with the power supply.
- All perimeter doors to your home should be of solid construction & fitted with quality dead lock sets to restrict unauthorised access to the home.
- All perimeter windows should be secured with key operated locks again to restrict unauthorised access to your home.
- Glass within doors & windows should be re-enforced by either adhering the existing glass with a shatter resistant film, replacing the existing glass with laminated glass or having quality metal security grilles or shutters to restrict unauthorised access
- Record descriptions, model, & serial number of all your valuables to assist in easy identification should they be reported lost or stolen.
- Etch or engrave your drivers license number prefixed by the initials "NSW" on all items of value again to assist in easy identification.
- Photograph jewellery & other collectables for easy identification.
- Consider having a monitored intruder alarm system installed within your home to enhance the physical security. Obtain at least three quotes from licensed security companies.

