

- Report any crime or suspicious activity around your unit block, or garage. If you see a crime taking place contact Police Emergency 000, tell the operator what 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 CONTACT YOUR LOCAL CRIME PREVENTION OFFICER ON 9745 1333.



To The Resident

BURWOOD LOCAL AREA COMMAND



HELP STOP
UNIT BLOCK
BREAK-INS



City of Canada Bay Council

Working together to prevent crime

INTRODUCTION

There have been a number of residential unit blocks 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 units and garages and steal property.

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

GOAL

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



WHAT CAN

- External doors should be of solid construction & fitted with quality deadlock sets.
- Locks should be checked and maintained on a regular basis to ensure they are in good working order.
- Keys should be removed from locks while you are absent.
- Consider having a peephole (door viewer) installed in the door.
- Security/screen doors can be used to provide additional protection.
- Consideration should be given to the installation of patio bolts on sliding doors.
- All perimeter windows should be fitted with quality key-operated locksets and kept locked when not in use.
- Don't leave keys in the locks.
- The existing glass may be reinforced internally with a shatter-resistant adhesive film or replacing it with laminated glass
- Roller, tilt and panel-lift doors can be secured with additional locksets in the form of hasp & staple & padlocks.
- Consider using light timers to turn lights on/off when not at home.
- When entering or leaving the unit block via the security front or rear doors make sure they lock behind you. This will stop entry by any person who does not have a key or the security code.

YOU DO

- When entering or leaving the security garage make sure it closes behind.
- Lock your car and remove valuables from view when you leave it unattended, even in your garage.
- Record descriptions/model/serial numbers of property for easy identification.
- Engrave or etch your property with a traceable number, e.g. licence number, for identification.
- Take a photograph and record the details of unique items to aid in their recovery if stolen.
- For items that cannot be engraved, it is suggested that you mark them with an ultra-violet pen. This marking is only visible under a ultra-violet (black) light.
- Consider installing a safe for added security for your valuables such as jewellery, cash and documents.
- The safe should be well concealed and never left open or unlocked. Remove the key from the lock and store it in a separate room.
- Try to limit the amount of cash kept at home and do not leave expensive items like jewellery, cameras, laptops etc in plain sight.
- Pre-program the speed dial function on your phone with the emergency number 000 and your local police station telephone number.