

Dear Ms Ball,

SmartWater Technology are working in partnership with West Mercia Police to protect areas of the community in an attempt to deter would-be burglars. We Don't Buy Crime, Protected by SmartWater areas are a new initiative, making villages and towns across the West Mercia Police Force area less attractive for criminals, making your property 'too hot to handle'.

As part of the project deterrent signage is deployed at Entry and Exit points of the protected area as well as signage displayed within the boundary, letting burglars know that they are within a SmartWater protected area.

Every home will be provided with a SmartWater home coding kit, which contains unique SmartWater solution to mark your valuable items, as well as stickers to display in your windows.

The first We Don't Buy Crime protected by SmartWater area was Cleobury Mortimer in South Shropshire. The project has been running here for almost 18 months and in that time there have still been 0 reported house break ins within the project boundary area.

I have attached a leaflet, produced by West Mercia Police with further information.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if this is something you would be interested in talking to us about.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

**Kind Regards
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