

# **ARSON HURTS**

## **PROTECT YOUR HOME**

**Do not leave rubbish or old furniture lying around for an arsonist.**

Store it securely behind a locked gate, away from your home and arrange for its prompt removal. Contact your local Council for more information on waste collection schemes.

**Do not leave rubbish bins or recycling boxes out, longer than strictly necessary.**

Especially if they are next to an external gas pipe. Collect them as soon as possible after emptying and store them securely behind a locked gate and away from your home.

**Do make sure that you lock all doors and windows, including garages and sheds, when you are out.**

Keep keys hidden from view but easily accessible should you need them in an emergency. Consider fitting security lighting and an external metal mailbox.

**Do fit smoke alarms and plan a means of escape.**

Test them regularly to check they are working properly. Keep all internal doors shut at night, escape routes clear and rehearse escape plans. For practical advice and information, contact your Fire and Rescue Service.

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# ARSON TASK FORCE

Arson is the act of starting fires on purpose. Every year local people are hurt, lose their jobs and cannot make use of public services because of arson attacks.

The Arson Task Force works in partnership with other organisations to improve the local environment, prosecute arsonists and educate the public about the dangers and consequences of arson.

Arson hurts everyone and should not be tolerated. If you have a problem with arson and need some practical advice and information, please contact us.

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