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Personal Security

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Our own security, and the safety of those close to us, is of great importance. The more you do to protect yourself, the better protected you and your family will be.

Ways to manage risk

Whilst we cannot predict or control everything that might happen to us, there are some steps we might choose to take to mitigate and avoid risk.

The recommendations contained within this guidance are based on research, historic events, expert advice and best practice, but it should also be recognised that these are primarily common sense precautions, albeit not exhaustive, and will depend on personal circumstances.

Emergency and attacks

In an emergency, the advice is always call 999.

An emergency is described as;

- a crime is in progress
- someone suspected of a crime is nearby
- when there is danger to life
- when violence is being used or threatened

In the event of an attack

If, in spite of the precautions adopted, an attack has happened or is attempted, it is essential that:

- police are alerted immediately
- you follow their advice/instructions
- you maintain the integrity of the scene (do not touch or clean up anything)
- no information is given out other than to the police

In all other incidents where a police non-emergency response is required, dial 101.

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