



## #STOLENMEMORIES

Your home contains all of your special memories. If your home is ever burgled those memories could be stolen. This year, in the run up to Christmas, when the days are getting shorter, take steps to protect your home and keep your memories safe.

Use this checklist to survey your home and implement new changes.

### QUICK ACTIONS:

	Done	Later
Timer switch connected to a light for the front of your home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Timer switch connected to a light at the back of your home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stop 'checking in' to locations online when you're not home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stop posting your holiday plans, photos and updates while you're away	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Avoid posting about expensive items you own online	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Keep windows and doors locked - even when you're there	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Put any tools or equipment left around in your garden securely away	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Move your wheelie bin away from your locked back gate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Put up a 'beware of the dog' sign	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Check if your home looks like a shop from the outside	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Move your house and car keys so they are not visible	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leave on a radio when you're out or attach one to a time switch	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Put up a window sticker advertising you alarm/cctv/neighbourhood watch scheme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Close the curtains as soon as it starts getting dark	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Make your property look lived-in and loved from the outside	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buy and use good quality locks for your shed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Add wire mesh to your shed's window and/or an alarm if possible	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Use a fake TV deterrent device	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Turn on iCloud's Find my Device and Activation Lock for any Apple products you own	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Install a letter box cage to your front door	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Replace door locks if required	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Make a 'going away plan'. Mail, deliveries, curtains and lights.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Remove unknown and past people from your online social networks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Review your privacy settings on social networking websites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## PLANNED ACTIONS:

	Done	Later
Put up motion-activated security lighting at the front of your home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Put up motion-activated security lighting at the back of your home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buy and use a good quality alarm system	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lay down some gravel	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Add trellis above your side gate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Put high value items in a safe or in a third-party safety deposit box	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Install good quality CCTV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trim your hedges, greenery and bushes to give natural surveillance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Add some defensive planting to your property (see our leaflet: <a href="https://www.gloucestershire.police.uk/media/1381/defensive-planting.pdf">https://www.gloucestershire.police.uk/media/1381/defensive-planting.pdf</a> )	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## IMPACT REDUCTION:

	Done	Later
Purchase and use some forensic property marking on your valuables	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Register your valuables with immobilise.com or bikeregister.com	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Record the serial numbers and MAC addresses for your electronics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Backup your phone, tablet or laptop regularly (daily or at least weekly)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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