



NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT HAMILTON INC

MAY 2019



BURGLARIES AND BREAK-INS IN YOUR AREA

Taken from the police public website here are the burglary numbers by police area from 1 – 31 March 2019. There were 72 reports of unlawful entry with intent to burglary, break and enter during March. Total figures for 2019 so far are in brackets. To protect the privacy of individuals, the police remove sensitive details revealing specific “time and place”.

Please note that police named areas do not exactly match Neighbourhood Support Group areas. If your area is not mentioned, it is not available from the police: members can [view these police statistics on line.](#)

Bader 1 (4)	Beerescourt 1 (4)	Bryant 4 (5)
Brymer 3 (7)	Burbush 0 (0)	Chartwell 0 (1)
Chedworth 5 (10)	Clarkin 2 (4)	Claudlands 1 (4)
Crawshaw 4 (10)	Dinsdale North 1 (3)	Dinsdale South 1 (6)
Enderley 4 (11)	Eureka 2 (3)	Fairview Downs 0 (4)
Frankton 3 (6)	Glenview 1 (5)	Grandview 2 (5)
Hamilton Central 5 (18)	Hamilton East 1 (3)	Hamilton Lake 1 (6)
Hillcrest West 0 (5)	Horsham Downs 0 (2)	Insoll 4 (7)
Maeroa 4 (11)	Melville 1 (6)	Nawton 1 (6)
Naylor 1 (13)	Peachgrove 1 (5)	Porritt 1 (3)
Pukete 1 (2)	Queenwood 1 (4)	Riverlea 2 (2)
Rotokauri 1 (1)	Silverdale 2 (4)	Swarbrick 2 (10)
Sylvester 1 (3)	Te Rapa 3 (11)	Temple View 0 (0)
University 2 (11)	Whatawhata 2 (3)	

There are no “Persons Wanted by the Police to Arrest” reported in Hamilton City this month.



Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design



Neighbourhood Support and Hamilton City Council mandate the use of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles in Neighbourhood Support Groups, new subdivisions, development proposals, and the design, planning, management and use of public space and community facilities.

Neighbourhood Support Groups aim to make our communities safer and more caring places to live.

Research shows that criminal behaviour can be influenced by the design of the physical environment around your property and in your street. Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) is a crime prevention strategy that uses this knowledge to design, or redesign, maintain and manage the physical environment so that:

- Opportunities for criminal or anti-social activity are reduced and
- Personal safety and perceptions of safety are improved

The four principles of CPTED can be used in your household, Neighbourhood Support Group, street, and community to help prevent and reduce crime:

CPTED Principle 1. Surveillance



This principle is about maximising the visibility of people and property. Try not to block your view of entry and exit points on your property, or have hidden access points. It focuses on environmental design that assists natural surveillance by others and eliminates isolated areas. Surveillance increases perceptions of safety and deters crime by increasing the likelihood of the potential offender and potential victim being seen. Good (e.g. security) lighting and well placed, trimmed vegetation are key to surveillance. For example, windows and doors should be placed in locations that allow intended users to see or be seen while ensuring intruders will be seen as well. Trees and fences should not provide hiding places.

CPTED Principle 2. Access management



This principle refers to methods used to attract people and vehicles to some places and channel them away from other places. Access control utilises doors, shrubs, fences, gates and other physical design elements to discourage access to an area by all but its intended users. It includes putting garden furniture, tools and equipment away so that it can't be used to access otherwise inaccessible windows, doors or openings.

CPTED Principle 3. Territorial reinforcement



This principle focuses on making clear boundaries between private and public spaces to clearly establish the legitimacy of users and uses in a given location. It utilises markers such as signs, fences, and landscaping to help foster individual and community ownership and connection with an area by informing people about its ownership and function. Neighbourhood Support street signs are a great deterrent: they are installed free. Window and letterbox Neighbourhood Support stickers also let criminals know that they are in a Neighbourhood Support Group surveillance area: order yours free [through the website](https://www.ns.org.nz). This helps increase the perception of risk for potential offenders by making them feel conspicuous and increasing the likelihood that someone will intervene if necessary. Design features should distinguish boundaries without compromising visual surveillance. For example, strangers should not feel comfortable going on to your property or using it as a shortcut. Houses should look occupied and cared for at all times. Arrange to have lawns mowed and your letterbox cleared when going away on holiday. See our [website](https://www.ns.org.nz) for advisory material on Holiday Security Tips.

CPTED Principle 4. Quality environments



This principle is about maintaining the physical environment so that it is attractive and supports surveillance. It includes the prevention of visual deterioration such as litter and graffiti. If left unchecked this type of deterioration sends out inviting messages to offenders whilst conveying to non-offenders that the area is not safe. It includes avoiding the existence of ambiguous land use such as derelict sections that attract crime, avoiding conflicts between incompatible user groups and activities in a location, and using activities to draw people in to an area in order to make it safer. Good examples are the clusters of inner city cafés and restaurants that have attracted large numbers of people back in to areas of cities at night that were once considered unsafe. Thinking about and applying CPTED principles to your property and in your neighbourhood can help to reduce the fear and incidence of crime while improving the quality of life for you and your Neighbourhood Support Group.

Crime can't survive in a community that cares

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Neighbourhood Support Hamilton Incorporated

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Neighbourhood Support Hamilton Inc. will be held on **Wednesday 19 June 2019** at 6.30 pm at the **Settlement Centre – Waikato** (formerly known as **Migrant Resource Centre**), 89 Boundary Road, Hamilton.

Members may make nominations for the Management Committee to be elected at the AGM. Positions available for nomination are:

- * Chairperson
- * Secretary
- * Treasurer
- * Committee members

This must be done by sending the nominees name, the position for which they are nominated and the names of both the proposer and seconder to the Chairperson at chair@nshamilton.org.nz or phone 854 6118.

Nominations to be received no later than **Tuesday, 6 June 2019**.

A copy of the Agenda and the Financial Report will be issued prior to the meeting commencing.

Thank you for your interest in Neighbourhood Support

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