



The Resident

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Dear Resident(s)

Your address has been chosen to take part in the Crime Survey for England and Wales, and we would like your help to understand the extent of crime in the country.

The survey will ask whether you have been affected by crime or anti-social behaviour and will also ask for opinions on the police and the criminal justice system. Included with this letter is a leaflet about the survey and details of how it will take place.



Why should I take part?

The Crime Survey is widely considered the most important source of information about trends in crime in the country. Your response will help inform policies to reduce crime and make our communities safer.



Who should take part?

An adult aged 16 or over in your household will be selected to take part in the survey. A household member aged 10-15 may also be chosen to complete a shorter questionnaire. Please make sure everyone in your household sees this letter and the enclosed leaflet.



What happens next?

An interviewer carrying an identity card will visit you in the **next few weeks** to arrange a convenient time for an interview. The survey is carried out by Verian, an independent research organisation on behalf of the Office for National Statistics. To arrange a time that suits you, or if you have any questions, contact Verian by email at crimesurvey@veriangroup.com or by free phone via 0800 051 0882. For more information about Verian, go to www.veriangroup.com.

The information you give us is treated as confidential, as directed by the Code of Practice for Official Statistics. For more information about how we keep your data safe, you can visit www.crimesurvey.co.uk/en.

To thank you for your help with this important survey, I have enclosed a credit/debit card protector which you can use to help protect you from fraud.

Yours faithfully,

Jan Diannes

Sir Ian Diamond **National Statistician**