



ST HELENS HOMEWATCH/NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION

Committed to reducing crime and the fear of crime in our neighbourhoods

WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEWSLETTER - Summer 2025

We have been reviewing members' information held on the OurWatch database, to ensure it is still accurate and up-to date. Some members may already have received an e-mail message from me, asking you to verify your status. We understand that circumstances can change and if you no longer wish to receive messages and circulations, let me know and I can take you off the database, either by replying to the Neighbourhood Alert message or e-mailing sthelenshomewatch@gmail.com. You can check what information is recorded by signing in on Ourwatch.org.uk. Don't worry if you have forgotten your password, there is a link to reset it.

Let's Be Blunt

A campaign by Leanne Lucas
Southport Attack Survivor

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Every year, countless lives are changed forever due to knife crime, and whilst we may not always be able to prevent the violence, we can take meaningful steps to reduce the risk. One simple but powerful change is within our own kitchens; replacing traditional pointed-tip kitchen knives with safety-tip knives.

2 Why safety tip knives?

Sharp, pointy kitchen knives are household necessities, but they also pose a risk. By switching to blunt tip or curved tip knives we can:

- reduce access to dangerous pointed blades that can be misused
- take responsibility for safer communities by making a simple yet significant change.

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Just as we have evolved in safety measures - seatbelts in cars, childproof medicine caps and fire alarms - this is the next step in taking responsibility for our homes and society. Knife crime is not just a law enforcement issue; it is a community issue. By choosing safer kitchen knives, we can make it harder for dangerous situations to arise.

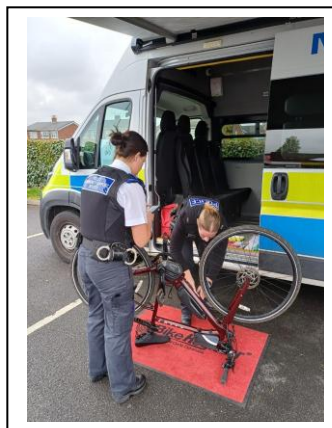
4 How you can make a difference

- Replace your pointed kitchen knives with safety tip alternatives,
- encourage friends, families, businesses to make the switch,
- Support campaigns and retailers that promote safer kitchen utensils,
- Spread awareness and help make safety tip knives the norm.

5 A simple change, A life saving impact

As a survivor of a knife crime attack, I know firsthand the devastation it brings. That is why I am calling everyone to take action today. If we all make this small change in our homes, we can help prevent tragedies before they happen.

Let's be blunt and remove the point



BIKE MARKING

St Helens Police hold bike marking events at various locations. Find one near you at

<https://www.facebook.com/StHelensPolice>

The next meeting will be on

**Tuesday 16th July 2025, 11.00am, at
Thatto Heath Library.**

**All approved Co-ordinators are invited to
attend, accompanied by members of your
group if you wish.**

