

Project you are interested in

Please state location

Neighbourhood Watch

Business Watch

Schools Watch

Farm Watch

Please tick

I consent to Ards and North Down Borough Council using my mobile number in connection with the Text Alert Scheme.

Using your personal information

Ards and North Down Borough Council's Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) takes your right to personal privacy seriously. Personal information you supply will be used for the administration of the Text Alert Scheme. This information is collected under the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and will be kept for the duration of the scheme or until participants notify their withdrawal from it, when it will be destroyed.

The PCSP will collect your name, address and contact details and share it with the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI). The information will be processed, with consent, for the purposes of the scheme and to perform a task which is carried out in the public interest. You have a number of rights regarding the information the Council holds on you. If you wish to see any personal information held by the Council, or notify your withdrawal from the scheme, please put your request in writing, stating clearly who you are to:

PCSP Office, Ards and North Down Borough Council,
Town Hall, The Castle, Bangor BT20 4BT.
Email: pcsp@ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk
Tel: 0330 013 3333

Ards and North Down PCSP

Text Alert Scheme

CALL THE POLICE 101
IN AN EMERGENCY ALWAYS CALL 999



Text Alert is used to get short, immediate messages out to registered users who have an interest in helping PSNI and PCSP to reduce crime and help keep the community in which they live or work safer.

A key challenge facing Ards and North Down Policing & Community Partnership and local police is how we engage and communicate better with the communities we serve.



What is Text Alert used for?

Members of Ards and North Down PCSP Text Alert Scheme will receive a SMS message to their mobile phone with relevant community safety information in their area. Text Alert can be used to remind members of dangerous road conditions, suspicious vehicles and ongoing crime issues in the registered users particular area.

Users already signed up to the scheme include:

- Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators

Registered users will only receive a text message from the PCSP or the PSNI. Your mobile number will not be shared with any other external body or organisation. Your information will be held securely by a named data controller from PCSP.

Ards and North Down PCSP and the PSNI have listened to the concerns of the community particularly in our rural areas and they have told us that we needed to address how we communicate information to them.

Not all citizens have access to or are comfortable with social networking platforms which many statutory, voluntary and community organisations now use to deliver key messages and information to their members. Ards and North Down PCSP in conjunction with their colleagues in the PSNI has developed a text alert system which will allow them to communicate directly with the citizens of Ards and North Down Council who sign up for the scheme by SMS text message almost immediately if their is an issue in their area.

It is important to note that text messages cannot be replied to and you will be asked to contact PSNI on 101 with any information if requested. You may be forward on the text messages to friends, family or members.



Ards and North Down Policing & Community Safety Partnership

Text Alert Registration Form

Name:

Address: Postcode:

Tel. No.

Email:

Organisation/Business if applicable:

I would be prepared to accept messages to my mobile from Ards and North Down PCSP / PSNI. My mobile number is:

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District Electoral Area

Please indicate the area / Borough where you live or work:

Newtownards	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bangor	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comber	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ards Peninsula	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holywood	<input type="checkbox"/>
Crawfordsburn/Helen's Bay	<input type="checkbox"/>
Donaghadee	<input type="checkbox"/>