

Vision 2030 Theme 6

A place where local people can have real influence and where they feel safe

By 2030, local communities will be working with public organisations like the Police, the Borough Council and a wide range of voluntary groups to reduce crime, keep people safe and develop a sense of community and belonging.

Residents' pride in their locality will be enhanced, with local people taking more responsibility for the general well-being of the place in which they live, supported by the statutory and non-statutory bodies. Local people won't wait for the council or other public agencies to address problems in their neighbourhood. Instead, they will know how to get involved, alongside other agencies, to solve issues like anti-social behaviour or graffiti. People will also be able to access public services locally and when they want to.

All parts of Swindon, including newly built developments, will have strong communities where people are willing to help each other and particularly to help more vulnerable residents feel safe. New developments will be planned to ensure that we create communities and not just housing estates.

The factors that generate the fear of crime among residents such as large groups of young people congregating in inappropriate places, graffiti, fly-posting, abandoned cars and fly-tipping will have been addressed so that, as a result, people feel safer.



Residents from Downs View attending the Housing Information Fair for Highworth