



Application Form to join WRCI

Business Name.....

Contact Name.....

Business Address

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Post Code

Telephone Number.

Fax Number

E-mail address.

Number of Staff

We wish to apply for Membership of the Warwickshire Retail Crime Initiative with effect from the date below. We understand that there is a Membership fee to pay which the Local Branch will advise us of and the amount and date due,

Signature

Name (printed)

Date of Application

Send to: -
Warwickshire Retail Crime Initiative,
Community Safety Team,
Warwickshire Police H.Q.
Leek Wootton,
Warwick, CV35 7QB

Join Warwickshire Retail Crime Initiative

- **TO** work in Partnership to Create a Safer Shopping Environment in Warwickshire.
- **TO** reduce the level of retail crime, and anti social behaviour in member premises.
- **TO** exclude persistent and prolific offenders and troublemakers from member premises.
- **TO** protect staff from acts of physical violence and verbal abuse.
- **TO** protect and create employment.
- **TO** encourage greater economic investment by creating & promoting a safer place to shop work and live.

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**Working in Partnership
to Create a
Safer Shopping
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Warwickshire Retail Crime Initiative

WRCI is a Partnership arrangement to prevent and reduce crime and anti social behaviour in retail business premises in Warwickshire.

The scheme is based on a proven Partnership approach, which has been active in Warwickshire since 2001. Since then shop lifting and fraud in shops has fallen by 23%.

The Partnership members identify the most prolific individuals who are committing crime or acting in an anti social manner in their premises at target meetings.

The WRCI Retail Business Crime Advisors in conjunction with the local Police then prepare target packages.

Members are then provided with the target packages, which contain photographs of these individuals and information about the methods they use to commit crime, their behaviour and known risk factors.

The packages also contain information on individuals who have been banned under the scheme from entering member's premises.

This is a unique information sharing arrangement.

Join Warwickshire Retail Crime Initiative

- **TO** benefit from being part of a multi-agency Partnership team to reduce retail crime in Warwickshire.
- **TO** have access to target photograph packages to aid identification of prolific offenders and excluded persons.
- **TO** have access to intelligence information and risk assessments of prolific offenders and excluded persons.
- **TO** build staff confidence and morale.
- **TO** create a safer shopping for your customers.
- **TO** receive free crime prevention advice.
- **TO** display provided door stickers as a visual deterrent to thieves.
- **TO** meet with other Partners to agree future targets and exchange information about local issues.
- **TO** help create a stronger business community

THE PARTNERSHIP

Retail Radio

WRCI members join local retail radio schemes to communicate with each other, patrolling police officers and Community Safety Officers and Town CCTV schemes.

CCTV

Town Centre CCTV cameras can be alerted to monitor and provide information on the movements of suspected offenders and troublemakers.

Local Police

Apprehension and arrest of thieves. Police Community Safety Officers provide a very visible presence patrolling and visiting retail premises. A closer working with the retail community

Magistrates

They have been briefed about WRCI and can deal more appropriately with suspects appearing before them who are subject of exclusion orders from WRCI members businesses.

Other Key Partners

Town Centre Managers, Shopping Centre Managers, Businesses, Local Authorities and Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships