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Thursday, 29 November 2018

Dear Councillor

I'd like to inform you of a new crime prevention initiative recently launched by Suffolk Police.

"1st Principle" is a collection of on-line information, practical advice and tips to help prevent crime. It contains a variety of information leaflets as well as some selfassessment security checklists. Further topics will be added over the next few months.

The brand "1st Principle" comes from the founder of the modern police force, Sir Robert Peel, who identified 9 principles of modern policing. The first of these was to prevent crime.

All of our Police Officers in Suffolk will be promoting this initiative and will be passing on 1st Principle information wherever they can.

I have also asked for links to the 1st Principle pages on our website to be included on all partner agency websites. This will ensure that, as Responsible Authorities, we give consistent advice.

I'm sure you are often asked to address areas of crime and antisocial behaviour and I hope that this will help you to deal more easily with these issues.

I would urge you to bring this information to the attention of your communities wherever you feel it appropriate and help us work towards a safer community. You can access all of the 1st Principle information by clicking on the following link.

## www.suffolk.police.uk/1stprinciple

If you need more information about 1st Principle please contact Alan Keely – Designing Out Crime Officer alan.keely@suffolk.pnn.police.uk.

Thank you for your co-operation. Andy Smith

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