

Wiltshire **BOBBY VAN** Trust

The Bobby Van Trust is an independent charity working closely with Wiltshire Police and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Services. Our aims are to:

- Reduce the incidence of crime amongst older, vulnerable and disadvantaged people across Swindon and Wiltshire
- Reduce the fear of crime and make people feel safer in their homes
- Reduce the incidence of repeat crimes
- Reduce the incidence of fires.

As a charity funded entirely by donations we are always grateful for any contribution.

"...I feel so much more secure as a result of the completely efficient service and advice provided today, thank you."

The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust

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Charity Registered Number 1153790
Established in 1998



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What The Bobby Van Trust Does:

The Bobby Van Trust sends out Bobby Operators to people's homes to give expert advice on safety in their home and installs equipment to improve the home's security.

Bobby Operators are:

- Skilled carpenters/lock fitters
- Trained Crime Reduction Officers
- Trained Fire Safety Advisers.

Bobby Operators wear uniforms similar to those worn by Police Officers, for reassurance, and always carry formal identification.

Three vans, each with a dedicated Bobby Operator, are operated by the Trust across Swindon and Wiltshire.

This is a free service!

The Bobby Van Trust is entirely responsible for raising its own funds to deliver the service.

How Bobby Vans Operate:

Visits are made to the client's home - and are made only by appointment.

Operators reassure and address any concerns that the client may have.



The Bobby Operator evaluates needs by means of a security and fire risk assessment.

Bobby Vans are mobile

workshops; we supply and fit all locks and fittings necessary to secure the property – free of charge.



The client is advised on good practice regarding property security, personal safety and fire prevention.

Information is shared with other agencies which may be able to help the client.

Bobby Operators also:

- distribute Message-in-a-Bottle funded by the local Lions Club to give vital information in an emergency
- supply carbon monoxide detectors
- supply and fit key safes with access codes stored on the Wiltshire Police database
- supply, fit and maintain CCTV safety cameras



"...The Operator fitted a smoke alarm and gave me excellent advice about fire safety and security including avoiding trips and falls. The visit was so very reassuring..."

Donation Form:

I wish to support the work of the Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust and request that this donation, and until further notice any donations that I may make. To qualify for Gift Aid. I am a UK tax payer and pay an amount of income tax and/or capital gains tax (other taxes such a Council Tax and VAT do not qualify) at least equal to the amount that can be reclaimed on my donation currently 25p per £1.00.

Donation:

Name:

(please print)

Address:

Postcode:

Signature:

Date:

Please make cheques payable to The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust.

Please return this form with your cheque to:
The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust
Devizes Police Station
New Park Street, Devizes SN10 1DZ

How you can Help:

The cost of operating the Bobby Vans is £220,000 every year. The Bobby Van Trust is entirely responsible for raising these funds.

The Bobby Van relies entirely on donations to provide a free service to older, vulnerable and disadvantaged people to make them secure in their homes.

All security work and materials (except Keysafes) are provided free of charge.

Any donation that you can make will help.

- £250 pays for an average visit to a vulnerable person
- £75 pays for a Keysafe to provide permanent secure access for someone who is old and frail

Any donation you can afford makes an enormous difference to the lives of people in need.

If you would like to consider leaving a lasting gift in your will you can do this by means of a legacy. Please contact the office for details.

Invite us along to your club, group or society and we can tell you more about the Bobby Van Trust.

Please:

- complete the attached form or
- find The Bobby Van Trust on Local Giving localgiving.com/donation/wbvt

"...As a victim of domestic violence, fear is a very strong physical emotion. You become so sensitive to everyday and night noises, that a good night's sleep is impossible. Because of the service you have provided today, my home feels secure, not just for myself, but also for my children. I know I will be able to relax – and sleep - with much more ease. Thank you."

Wiltshire BOBBY VAN Trust

Registered Charity No: 1073127



The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust is a charity that sends out fully equipped Bobby Vans with expert Bobby Operators to older, vulnerable and disadvantaged people in Swindon and Wiltshire to provide a free Home Security Service.

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