

**SORRY**  
**NO TRICK OR TREAT**



**PLEASE  
RESPECT  
OUR  
WISHES**

West Sussex  
**Safer Seasons**  
Autumn

Working in partnership to  
make West Sussex Safer



**West Sussex Community Safety Partnerships are working together to tackle crime and antisocial behaviour to make Halloween and Bonfire Night as safe as possible.**

**Phone 0845 60 70 999 to report crime or antisocial behaviour.**  
**In an emergency dial 999.**

Every year Sussex Police receives calls from people who have been frightened by trick-or-treaters. It might seem like harmless fun but can be terrifying for elderly or vulnerable people.

Please remind anyone you know who is planning to go trick or treating that if no-one answers the door or if this sign is on display, they must leave immediately.

## **Tips for a happy Halloween:**

If you don't want trick-or-treaters coming to your door, display this sign prominently in a window.

Arrange for friends and family members to phone before visiting

Use a spy hole or window to see who is at your door before answering and don't answer to anyone you don't know.

If you must open the door to a stranger, put the door security chain on first (if you have one) to limit the gap that the door can open.

Arrange for a trusted neighbour to keep an eye on you and your home during the Halloween period.

Consider inviting a friend over for dinner on Halloween itself to take your mind off the prospect of unexpected calls.