

Safe Places National Network Members Pack

Hampshire Constabulary are very pleased to be involved in the promotion of Southampton's Safe Places Network, which is part of the National Safe Places Network. We are supporting Southampton City Council in their contacting of services and businesses in the city, to ask them to join the scheme.

Keep Safe with Safe Places

The Following organisations and venues in the city are some of the new members since its recent relaunch:

- MAST Mayflower Studios
- Woolston Community Centre
- Gateway One-Stop Shop
- Chartwell Green Surgery
- Civic Centre
- October Books

To see all our members, visit the [Southampton Member Scheme \(safeplaces.org.uk\)](https://safeplaces.org.uk) website

The Safe Places Network

Any service or business that registers could act as a temporary refuge when a person is feeling unsafe. The network offers safety for any adult or young person who feels vulnerable while out and about in public.

Vulnerable people can carry a **Safe Places card** to contain the names and contact numbers of relatives or friends, who can be called for help when they have reached a safe space. These cards will be available in various accessible premises in the city.

The person may also need help with more serious issues such as bullying and harassment or theft, for example, where the Police may need to be called. **Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)** is also high on the Safe City Partnership's agenda because of its prevalence and severity rates. The scheme is adapted to protect women and girls too, who are likely to experience public sexual harassment and stalking.

Membership

Once registered as member (which is free), Southampton City Council will send a staff room poster and a communication guide to help assist staff members when providing support to the person.

The premises will be an active location on the **Safe Places website map**, and on the free to use **Safe Places App** that people can use to find a temporary refuge in time of need.

Members will have access to free learning materials and resources. Southampton City Council will also provide a **Safe Places logo sticker** for members to use on windows or doors to help people identify the premises as a Safe Place. Take a look at the [Southampton Safe Places Network](#) website for more information and resources.

Please email safeplace@southampton.gov.uk to register as a member or to ask any questions.

Membership can promote a business/venue's reputation as they become known as a Safe Place, enhancing relations with the community, and helping Southampton become a safe and accessible city for all.